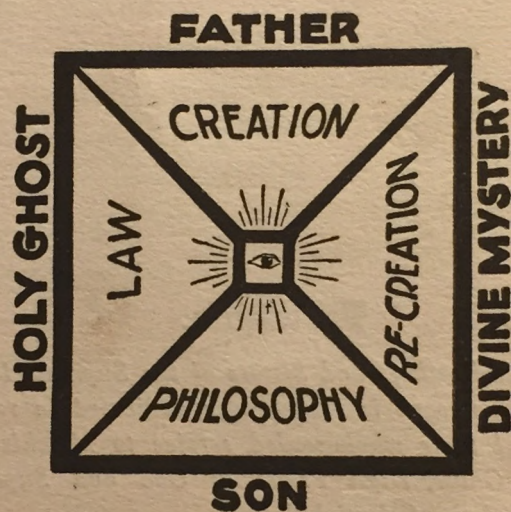


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Dedication.

To the Brothers and Sisters of the Supreme Inner Circle this work is respectfully dedicated in recognition of their whole-souled service to Melchizedek—Holy Ghost, High Priest of God and Supreme Master of the Celestial Spheres.

Explanation of Chart

FOR PERHAPS the first time in recorded history the Supreme Ones have revealed to mankind the position and description of those planets which constitute man's habitation after passing from the earth. In the minds of millions the subject of "where" has long been associated vaguely and vainly with the "when" and the "why" of immortality. Formerly however the various philosophies have been almost wholly abstract on this subject of "where" and it is only now, in the "last days" of the earth's evolution, that the Holy Ghost has deemed it wise that mortal mind should be allowed to dwell upon exact data concerning the "invisible" structures of the universe.

The purpose of the structure chart is to give the student a comprehensive impression of the Astral and Celestial Spheres and their relation to our Solar System, in so far as comparative sizes and distances may be used to establish this relationship between the "visible" and the "invisible."

The following is a key to the chart—

- A and A'—144th Celestial Sphere.
- B and B'—1st Celestial Sphere.
- C and C'—1st Astral Sphere.
- D and D'—9th Astral Sphere.
- E—A Major Division.
- F and F'—The Earth.
- G—The Sun.
- N—Mercury.
- M—Venus.
- L—Mars.
- K—Jupiter.
- J—Saturn.
- I—Uranus.
- H—Neptune.
- X and X'—The plane of the ecliptic.

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Prior to any explanation of the chart itself we must define the plane of the ecliptic represented by the two lines X and X'. Now the plane of the ecliptic is the plane in which the earth's orbit lies. To get a perfectly clear idea of this plane visualize for a moment the sun and the earth each half immersed in a perfectly placid sea stretching to infinity in every direction. The sun is stationary in this sea while, at a distance of 91,000,000 miles, the earth floats around the sun once a year. The surface of this sea then is the plane of the ecliptic.

In the comparative view the various structures have been drawn to scale with regard to size or diameter, but there are, however, three errors in this view which, by reason of the limited space in which the drawing must be placed, it is impossible to eliminate. They are—

1. The planets and their orbits do not lie in the plane of the ecliptic. The orbits of Mercury and Venus show a great variation while in the case of the orbits of the larger planets (Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune) the variation is so slight as to be negligible in such a small drawing. By variation is meant the angle at which the plane of a planet's orbit intersects the plane of the ecliptic.
2. According to the sizes or diameters of the structures depicted in the comparative view the planets should be placed much farther from the sun. If we could use, then, a drawing long enough to depict this (1144 feet) the planets should be placed, measuring from the sun, as follows: Mercury 7 feet, Venus 14 feet, the earth 29 feet, Mars 29 feet, Jupiter 99 feet, Saturn 181 feet, Uranus 365 feet and Neptune 572 feet.
3. The planets are portrayed upon a plane surface and lying on the line X' while in reality this would not be the case, for the planets lie, not in one direction from the sun, but all around it. In other words lines drawn from the center of the sun to the centers of the planets would resemble the spokes of a wheel of which some are long and some are short.

In the following table the structures depicted in the chart are classified according to size, from the largest to the smallest, in order

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that the reader may gain a better comparison:

| Planet | Diameter in Miles |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Sun | 853,380 |
| 1st Celestial Sphere..... | 298,000 |
| Jupiter | 85,390 |
| Saturn | 71,904 |
| Neptune | 36,620 |
| 9th Astral Sphere..... | 34,000 |
| Uranus | 33,024 |
| 1st Astral Sphere..... | 18,000 |
| 144th Celestial Sphere..... | 12,000 |
| Mars | 4,000 |
| Earth | 7,910 |
| Venus | 7,510 |
| Mercury | 2,962 |

Each planet varies in its distance from the sun as it follows it's orbit because the orbits are not exactly circular but ecliptical, or egg shaped. In the following table the planets are classified according to their distance from the sun, from the closest to the farthest. It may be taken into consideration at this time that the Celestial Spheres are stationary like the sun and rest above one part of the earth's orbit and for that reason are about the same distance from the sun as the earth.

| Planet | Average distance from sun in miles |
|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| Mercury | 35,393,000 |
| Venus | 66,130,000 |
| Earth | 91,430,000 |
| Mars | 139,312,000 |
| Jupiter | 475,693,000 |
| Saturn | 872,135,000 |
| Uranus | 1,752,851,000 |
| Neptune | 2,746,271,000 |

Now the main points to be made clear by the chart and the foregoing explanation are as follows—

1. The Astral Spheres surround the earth and "stay with" the earth on it's journey around the sun. The Celestial Spheres do not

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rotate about the sun but remain stationary and the distance from the plane of the ecliptic to the lowermost point on the periphery of the First Celestial Sphere is slightly over 17,000 miles.

2. As depicted in the chart, the earth and the Astral Spheres are directly beneath the Celestial Spheres, yet in reality this occurs only once every year. Once in each cycle about the sun do we (the earth and the Astral) pass this close to the Celestial Spheres while, six months after such an occurrence, when we are on the opposite side of the sun, we are twice the distance from the earth to the sun away from the Celestial Spheres or 182,000,000 miles. We do, then, spend six months traveling away from, and six months traveling towards the Celestial Spheres.

3. The Spheres of the Astral and Celestial Realms are approximately 1000 miles apart and it must be taken into consideration at this time that they are spheres and not circles as shown in the chart.

4. Chapter one deals extensively with the difference between matter and astral and celestial, or spiritual, substances and will explain completely why these structures cannot be perceived by the human eye. Telescopes, of course, are of no avail since they could not give the observer a greater range of vision than he already possesses. By range of vision is meant the "distance" between the upper and lower limits of the sensitivity of the eyes. Sunlight and "moonlight" are material illuminations and would not be affected by the Astral Spheres in reaching the earth by virtue of the fact that the Astral exists in an altogether different vibratory range.

5. With regard to the Major Division as represented by E in the cross section view let it be said that there are twelve such Major Divisions of the Celestial Spheres. In the cross section view the heavy or dark lines represent the outermost boundaries of these Divisions. There are 12 spheres in each Division of which the innermost is the seat of the Divisional Ruler. These 12 Divisional Rulers exist in coordination with and (in manifestation) in parallel symbolism to the 12 creative Hierarchs of the Absolute.

6., The Moon, of which no previous mention has been made, rotates about the earth at an average distance of 238,793 miles or 221,793 miles beyond the Ninth Astral Sphere. The plane of the orbit of the moon intersects the plane of the ecliptic at an angle of 5° .

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IN PERUSAL of this work you will find it composed of two main parts which at first may seem practically unassociated; yet, as you proceed you will find them to be not only intimately associated, but also that the second part is entirely dependent upon the first.

Part One is given over to an outline account of Creation and the Involution and Evolution of Mankind. Part Two is an extensive description and analysis of The Sacred Order of the Blue Flame, its origin, its authority, its parts, its functions and its purposes.

By way of proof of the statement that Part Two is entirely dependent upon Part One, we must take into consideration the fact that to explain the Order and the Philosophy it teaches, it is necessary to give the fundamentals of the Philosophy, briefly and to the point, yet omitting nothing of importance to a clear conception of the same.

Since the Philosophy of S. O. B. F., broadly termed Blue Flame Science, is based upon and derived from the Kingdom of the Holy Ghost, it then becomes necessary to explain just what that kingdom is. The chapter on Creation fulfills its mission in this respect.

To fully understand the working principles of the Philosophy, it is first essential that the reader have a general knowledge of the working principles of all existence and to that end the chapter on Involution and Evolution has been incorporated to serve as a stepping stone to the description of the more detailed sciences.

Also the Order deems it desirable to give forth subject matter worth infinitely more than the price of the volume in a part separate from, and irrespective of, the explanation of the Order itself. Furthermore, Part One sets forth in no uncertain terms some of the most fundamental facts in Blue Flame Science and automatically answers a great many questions that may arise concerning the Order's support of this or that belief.

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PART ONE

CHAPTER I

Creation

SINCE the beginning of earthly things human beings have wondered about their origin and the origin of the mighty sphere on which we dwell. Many accounts of creation have been given to humanity to satisfy this in-created curiosity to know and understand the whys and the wherefores of life. Almost invariably these accounts have been so shrouded in symbolism that with the passing of the priesthoods, contemporary to their reception, passed also the spiritual interpretations of the several methods of symbolizing this great subject. Due to this fact we have, at the present time, a number of accounts generally accepted in various parts of the world which, while bearing many resemblances to each other, have wide divergences due to usage, locality, and the earthly personalities that have been instilled into them through re-interpretations. Today they form a wonderful study in comparative philosophy but, beyond that, are of little or no value to the student who is desirous of approaching this subject on its scientific side.

In the following account of the creation of the universe no attempt at detailed presentation of the subject has been made. In it the student will find the fundamental concepts of Blue Flame Science regarding the manifestation of the Macrocosm, together with proofs which, to the reasoning mind capable of visualizing the correspondences of the parts to the whole, are sufficient for an elementary understanding.

1. In the beginning all space contained nothing but the Uncreate. To explain the Uncreate alone is a task indeed, and it is not the purpose of this work to do more than touch upon the subject briefly and concisely.

2. The Uncreate is static energy, potentially both positive and negative—yet neither. The word Uncreate means, fundamentally, unseparated; or, in other words, both positive and negative elements of the primordial energy united and in a state of non-existence or rest. This energy, or rather potential energy, is unconfined and obeys no law, such as we now speak of electricity as obeying cer-

tain laws. It is boundless and limitless in never-ending immensity. It is almost beyond the human mind to conceive of such a state. Thus the Uncreate is potential energy and nothing more, pervading infinite space—darkness to the point of “absolute” lack of light and cold to the point of “absolute” zero.

3. Thus has the Uncreate always been and thus is it today, except that in the beginning there was nothing in the Uncreate, whereas now the entire created or manifested universe, dwarfed to inconspicuousness by comparison, rests within it as a cloud rests within the air, or as a particle rests in suspension in a fluid, or (to state it most appropriately) as a babe rests in the womb of its mother.

4. It was this energy—formless, unimaginable and indescribable—that existed throughout the infinite aeons before creation, and finally, by some process far beyond the pale of descriptive words, evolved within itself a central core of action from which the first essence of Divine Mind originated. This central core was active and it may be likened to a whirlpool. This fundamental essence of Divine Mind originated as a Spark of Intelligence free and not imprisoned within the bony walls of a brain's tomb, as the materialist would have you believe is the only possible field in which mind can operate.

5. Now, this Spark of Divinity, so to speak, gradually drew unto itself, by its superior mental dominion over non-intelligence, all energy necessary or desirable to itself in its operation, and it became by a process of multiplication and growth what occultists now term Divine Mind, or Divine Cosmic Fire.

6. Do not be misled to believe that all of the Uncreate was utilized in this manner, for only a small fraction of it has been used even up to the present time in which God has succeeded in creating and governing a universe of almost incomputable magnitude that is fast completing the final cycles to its perfection. The Uncreate surrounds the Manifested Universe much as the aura and etheric bodies surround the physical body, and in the comparison of microcosm and macrocosm the symbolism is in exact parallel.

7. Divine Mind sought control and immediately caused the Uncreate to supply untold volumes of itself to be condensed into a smaller space than was originally occupied by that energy. The only reason for the former inactivity, or static state, of the Uncreate

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was, and again is, that its particles of potential or co-joined energy existed in such a rare state that their magnetic auras were not forced upon each other. Due to this condensation or compression, however, these magnetic auras were forcibly brought in contact with each other, thereby causing great activity. We know that the compression of any gas in our modern day will increase its rate of molecular activity, so we may use this as an example to explain how the Unmanifest or condensed portion of the Uncreate came into existence as the storehouse of energy then and for all time.

8. Now, energy as we know it is either positive or negative because it has been divided; but the energy and activity of the Unmanifest is different from the foregoing, in that instead of having volition it is driven by a constant adjustment and readjustment due to its compression.

9. Now, the Unmanifest was and is many times larger than the Manifest Universe and was condensed around or drawn to Divine Mind by the power of attraction. Its boundaries were then determined as the limit in distance to which Divine Mind could at the time exert that attractive force in all directions from itself.

10. Having progressed countless cycles of time in forming the Unmanifest and definitely segregating it from the Uncreate, Divine Mind had evolved within itself a controlling center which was Divinity. Divinity then assumed control and asserted its mastery over all lesser things.

11. Now, Divinity contained two mighty principles which all energy or mind contains or is composed of—namely, the positive and the negative or, if you please, the masculine and the feminine. By a division of authority and control, the first great separation took place, and we have the Godhead ruling and controlling Divine Mind, or Divine Cosmic Fire, and the Divine Sophia, or Mother God, ruling and controlling the Unmanifest which, may it here be stated, is still Her Realm and Kingdom.

12. When Divine Mind, or Divine Cosmic Fire, had become perfected as a spherical body, or let us say, confined to a spherical space, the Divine Sophia, or Mother God, caused it to be definitely segregated from the Unmanifest and then caused it to be expelled from or born from the Unmanifest and it then was the Absolute.

13. The Absolute is a mighty sphere of Divine Cosmic Fire and the dwelling place of the Most High, the God of the Universe.

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It sets adjacent and at times tangent to the Unmanifest and is in itself greater in size than any planet of the Manifest Universe. Being composed of Divine Cosmic Fire, or Divine Mind, it is Pure Energy of the Highest Conception functioning in all of its various positive and negative activities. This Pure Energy has been made to conform to absolute law and perfection and fulfills in never-ending cycles within itself every one of the manifold Attributes of Divinity in as much as it is at once the Dwelling Place of the Father and the beginning and the end of all Manifest Creation. It is the Place of Infinite Rest and Infinite Activity, the universal storehouse of all wisdom and love, all peace, all harmony and all the countless concepts of Divinity. It may be made even more clear to the reader by saying that the Oriental calls it Nirvana.

14. At the time of the "birth" of the Absolute the Godhead created nothing outside the Absolute but employed It's genius in mastering It's own intricate Principles and Characteristics and in dividing these and Itself into four separate Parts or Divisions, each Part or Division having specific Attributes, Characteristics and Principles separate and distinct from the other Parts yet carrying with It in fundamental respects all resemblances to the Godhead as a whole. Thus also was divided the Absolute Itself into four divisions or realms.

15. Now, the divisions of the Absolute were at the time the Kingdoms of the Four Divisions of the Godhead which are the Father, the Son, the Holy Ghost and the Divine Mystery or God, the Christ, Melchizedek and Lucifer.

16. Now in the Absolute, Unmanifest and Uncreate there is no form in the way in which we know and speak of form, that is, as a thing or group of things having perspective on the three-dimensional planes in a variable or invariable length, depth and breadth. From our three-dimensional conception of form we may say that in the three previously mentioned realms all things are formless. This applies to both the Divisions of the Absolute and all Beings within it.

17. Each member of the Godhead had His or Her own specific duties to perform in the future work of creating a universe which was then but a Desire in the Mind of God. It was His Plan and His Wish to create a mighty manifestation of Himself in three dimensions and populate it with beings which would, taken together as a

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motive and an ultimate perfection, express every Attribute, every Character, every Beauty, every Harmony and every bit of Love and Wisdom that lay in the Infinite Bosom of His Omnipotence, which is so great and so mighty that immortal humanity throughout the future reaches of eternity can never hope to fully explore the last of its wonders for the very simple reason that there is no such thing.

18. Next in the order of creation came the Rulers of the Creative Hierarchies, then the Archangels and then the Angels, until the Absolute was peopled with countless minds, each working in harmony with the order of things and each having it's own duties to perform. The Absolute had at last arrived at that state of established order and government where it was possible for the Godhead to conceive and bring forth creations in accordance with the wishes and wisdom of the Father.

19. It was at this point that energy was first compressed into substance. In other words, this energy, which was taken as a raw material from the Unmanifest, was divided into it's two parts—positive and negative. Then at the Creative Word and the Command of the Father, the separate particles of positive and negative energy were brought together and caused to combine in minute planetary systems, obeying and fulfilling the same fundamental mathematical and geometrical laws that our mighty Manifest Universe obeys and represents today.

20. Science today knows that every atom is a planetary system of ions and electrons, or positive and negative particles of energy; and that the determining factor of an element in differentiating it from all other elements is the proportion in which these positive and negative particles, or charges of energy, are combined within the atom and the orbits which they travel. All atoms are similar to our Island Universe, (sun, moon, earth and planets), in that they are usually composed of a central stationary positive charge, or "sun," with varying numbers of negative charges, or "planets," swinging about it.

21. Positive and negative, masculine and feminine—all things are so. The force of love which binds two beings who, symbolically speaking, are two universes in the correspondence of microcosm and macrocosm, is not one bit different from the force which binds two atoms or tiny atomic universes. To the poet in his description of man and maid it is known as love, and to the scientist in his de-

scription of chemical laws it is known as valence. The only difference being that valence is very fundamental, or elementary, while love is very complex. Love and Wisdom are the foundation of the universe and the prime attributes of Divinity; and man with his microscope and his reasoning mind finds that even the smallest particles of substance obey, absolutely obey, the Wishes and Laws of the Creator.

22. Thus the first substance was formed and placed within the keeping of Lucifer who, taking it outside of the Absolute, caused it to swing in an orbit about the Absolute. More and more energy did She bring from the Unmanifest to become substance, under the Creative Law of the Father, and be added unto what had become a tiny planet, or embryo planet, swinging in space around the Absolute. This action continued until this tiny planet had become a huge blazing mass swinging in larger and ever larger orbits, increasing in size until it was one vast molten mass many times larger than all present parts or planets of the Manifest Universe taken in aggregate.

23. This fiery child of Divinity had at this time completed its growth in nine complete journeys around the Absolute and, Behold! Lucifer,—the Divine Mystery—the Daughter and Other-Self of Sophia—the Mother-God of the Manifest Universe—spoke and released it from its path and it was hurled into space by its own centrifugal force.

24. Here again the Father spoke the Creative Word and, just as He had shattered the original atom from the Unmanifest (Par. 19), in order to reform it into substance, so did He shatter this blazing mass that He might reform it into a Universe, and it was rent asunder by His Word into an infinite number of parts.

25. Throughout countless ages and with the untold labors of the Godhead in all Its Creative Aspects and Powers these parts, some large and some small, were gradually forced to conform to Divine Law and were moulded into what is now the Visible Universe. Then (and it was some ages ago) Divinity started the creation of humanity, and the portion of humanity that knows how to use telescopes can look up and see this as-yet-uncompleted task of formation still going on.

26. The sun, the moon, the earth, and the planets, belonging to our Island Universe, or smaller system, were formed and all that

is visible to the eyes and lenses of mankind was formed and all of it caused to move with infinite majesty and harmony in space within the mighty bosom of the Uncreate.

27. All visible creation was arranged symbolically to represent and interpret the attributes of Divinity; and this arrangement stands today as one of the greatest sources of occult wisdom, for the stars say to humanity that "happiness must be earned." That is the law He laid down, that humanity in attaining the perfection of being in the same manner as He had attained the perfection of Divinity,—namely, by involutionary and evolutionary processes,—would be more acceptable unto Himself and more worthy of the eternal existence and eternal ecstasy that He is waiting for us to come home and claim.

28. And God said, "Let Us create man in Our Image and in Our Likeness." It was His wish to create beings which, in the highest perfection of spirit, would manifest and express Himself and be a channel for the attributes and characteristics of Himself and the Other Members of the Godhead. Now, the Father knew that to create beings capable of fulfilling this law of their own personal volition, would necessitate extending the process of creation over a long period of time and causing them to involve and evolve from the highest to the lowest order of creation and back again in two separate and distinct cycles. Lucifer, the Mother of the Manifest Universe, wanted to create beings in such a way that it would not necessitate involution and evolution but only continual paradise, and this divergence of opinions is recounted in the symbolical story of Lucifer's "pride," the "war in Heaven" and Lucifer's "fall." Man, in his policy of preserving the letter and forgetting the spirit, has interpreted the story literally, and due to an early misconception has spoken of Lucifer as a masculine being.

29. As the Ruler ruled, so was it; and Lucifer, Goddess that She is, with a mother's heart and a mother's love, descended to Earth with all the loving, brooding care of which a mother is capable to surround it, protect it and personally assist in the evolution of humanity. Drawing unto Herself the Nine Planetary Virgins, who had been created with the Nine Planetary Masters to rule and govern the sun, moon and the planets, She created the nine spheres surrounding the earth known as the Astral world.

30. The Astral was created by Her as a place where the illu-

sions of the world might be temporarily perpetuated and gradually obliterated under Her ministering care. Thus it was that Her Mother-Love caused Her to create such a place of probation that humanity might have a haven of rest, a home and a school between incarnations, that humanity might carry on with the work of unravelling the skeins of karma, reincarnation and destiny. The Astral represents Illusion and is not eternal. When experience failed to eliminate error in mankind, punishment became necessary; and the Hell spoken of in the Bible is Planes 1, 2 and 3 of the Astral numbering from the inner sphere, or the one closest to the earth. The biblical account of Lucifer, used literally, is in keeping with the inequality in which men have held women in past ages; and while this particular illusion served a purpose in the evolution of humanity it is a lie and the time has come to call somebody a liar—all evidence to the contrary notwithstanding.

31. The Astral is composed of substance differing vastly from material substance and for that reason does not obey the law of gravity nor come within the pale of physical visibility. Astral substance is coarser than matter, in that it has proportionately fewer electrons to the atom, but is finer than matter, in that it's vibratory rate is much higher. (See Par. 20.)

32. After the Astral had been created, the Holy Ghost created the Celestial Spheres. These spheres, one hundred and forty-four in number, set within each other similar to the way in which the strata of the earth lay, except that they are perfect spheres and are equally distant apart at all points with vast spaces between them. The first, or outer, sphere is, at times, almost tangent to both the Astral and the Absolute. (See Chart.)

33. Spiritual or celestial substance differs from either astral substance or matter, in that it is finer both in construction and vibration. It is finer in construction, in that it has a greater proportionate number of electrons to the atom and consequently represents a higher and more perfect state of compression and in reality is more solid than matter. It is finer in vibration, in that it's vibratory rate is the highest of all three-dimensional, or manifested, substances; and it is for this last-named reason that it does not come within the pale of physical visibility.

34. Men of science on earth have discovered a great number of elements, or divisions of matter, called chemical elements.

CHAPTER II

Involution and Evolution

IN TREATING on the subject of involution and evolution, let it first be stated that every true occultist knows that evolution is one of God's ways of creating and perfecting beings. Genesis is purely symbolical and cannot be accepted literally, therefore the true occultist cannot and does not stand on either side of the fence of dissension which in 1925 seemed to rise to such unscalable heights in the Tennessee courts between the "fundamentalists" and the scientists. To the occultist there is no fence.

Whenever Science and Religion co-operate instead of fighting they will find that they believe much the same and have much in common with each other, for all of God's children should know Him and His works from the scientific viewpoint as well as the philosophical. The foregoing statement is especially true at the present time, which is the beginning of the "last days," because more than ever before the way to atonement (erroneously termed salvation) is the broad highway of positive scientific knowledge rather than mere belief or superstition.

Science is too materialistic and will believe nothing that cannot be proven to the material mind via the animal senses. The "fundamentalists" and "hidebound religionists" become panicky if someone questions the theories and beliefs which they have arrived at and perpetuated by perserving the letter, or literal usage, and forgetting the spirit, or the symbolical interpretation—forgetting, as they do, that *all* prophets, seers and teachers, from Genesis to the present day, have spoken in parables and symbolism. The history of their inconsistency is truly remarkable and ranges all the way from the Puritans (who suffered and died for religious freedom and then burned HERETICS at the stake or expelled them from their community) to the modern "fundamentalists" (who would condemn the Roman persecution of the early Christians in one breath and in the next prate long and loud on the value of laws which prohibit the teaching of evolution and imprison the teacher).

The previous discussion plainly sets forth in no uncertain terms the true occultist's viewpoint on this haggling over "opinions" and on certain interpretations of the Holy Bible. The Bible is the

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Astral and spiritual substances have all of these elements and spiritual substance has many more besides. The elements of astral and spiritual substances are just as capable as matter—if not more capable—in expressing themselves in all organic and inorganic forms, such as vegetation, animals, beings and geographical formations as well as countless combinations of the elements. It is of interest to the thoughtful mind to take into consideration the fact that if the Creative Ones desired a new element all that would be necessary to manifest it from original energy would be to change the mathematical construction of the atom. Spirit represents the highest perfection of substance and of all substances is the only one that is eternal.

35. All existence in the Astral and the Celestial Spheres is at once and simultaneously three-dimensional and four-dimensional. It is three-dimensional, in that form in these realms is the same as form on earth; and it is four-dimensional, in that it carries attributes and qualities not by any means common to matter. The fourth dimension is a masterful study in itself and it is not the purpose of this work to do more than say that it is the power-which-holds-together.

36. The Holy Ghost, or Melchizedek, is the Supreme Ruler and King of the Celestial Spheres, His created realm, which represents the peak of perfection in all Manifest existence and is the ultimate home of all humanity.

37. To erase any remaining illusion concerning the Godhead let it here be stated:

First: That the Christ Jesus known on earth as Jesus of Nazareth, the Savior of mankind and the Son of God, is not a masculine Divinity but a feminine Divinity. She was incarnated in a masculine body because the world was not far enough evolved to accept a feminine Divinity as a Teacher.

And Second: That in the beginning of the Aquarian Age, the present age or cycle of world evolution which was felt in 1912 and which we actually entered in 1914, Lucifer's work at Her court on the Ninth Astral Sphere was completed. After ruling the Astral for many thousands of years, the Divine Mother abdicated in 1924 in favor of Mithros, present King and Ruler of the Astral. She then ascended to Her rightful position as Queen and Co-Regent of the Celestial Spheres where She now rules with Melchizedek and is assisting in the final work of bringing humanity home.

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Word of God (what there is left of it) and evolution is the Work of God, and if the broadminded truth-seeker will but stop and realize that the Almighty is not given to creating futile or useless things or systems in nature, he or she will immediately perceive that in truth and in reality there can be no possible conflict.

With the attitude of mind last described let us enter into the story.

1. After the creation of the earth and after it had been made habitable, through ages of labor, as God's schoolroom (please read the sign over the door—KINDERGARTEN), the egos of future humanity, which had been created by the Godhead, began to leave their home in the Absolute to commence their wanderings in search of experience as the key to destiny and greater expression.

2. (These egos were created) as sparks of intelligence or Fragments of Divinity, and are constantly being thrown from the Absolute to follow the mighty cosmic currents of energy on their wanderings throughout the universe and back to their source again. These egos then return whence they came. This process is continuous—always was and always will be. Truly, then, God is omnipresent, for these egos are a part of Him and because He said, "Let Us create man in Our image and in Our Likeness," they possess every attribute and characteristic that the Godhead possesses except in a lesser degree.

3. Now, when it was decided to populate the universe with beings made up of these egos together with their many vehicles of expression, a certain portion of them (countless millions) were started on the path of involution; and this portion represents all living things in the Manifest Universe today. Some are older and more advanced, while some are younger and just beginning because this portion was not released all at once but was a continuous process over a period of time. Ages ago this process was completed and was discontinued until this universe became fully perfected and pending future creations throughout eternity.

4. Now, the fundamental reason for involution and evolution is the earning of happiness (See Par. 28, Chap. 1) and the ego in any state of evolution from the lowest to the highest intuitively recognizes this single driving urge; and every effort is put forth by those egos of the lower orders to earn higher, greater and more complicated vehicles of expression by proving that they are worthy

to own and control such vehicles. In the human, who has earned the divine form of being as a vehicle of expression, we see many and various manifestations of this urge, some of which are logical and constitute a blessing and some of which are illogical and constitute an error. Sin is the word that could be used in place of error in so far as its specific denotation is concerned, but its many connotations make its use prohibitive. All living things obey this urge in fulfilling the fundamental law of growth which is an attribute and basic principle in creation. Primarily, this law means greater and greater expression without end.)

5. Divine Mind earned its wisdom in the countless ages before creation, for even perfection came from chaos; and who shall say that there were no struggles, no agonies, no age-long tribulations or no nameless terrors to beset the path of Divine Manifestation. Thus the cycles of involution and evolution have been masterfully designed to teach every ego every lesson and they are operated to provide the ego with every opportunity to learn these lessons with the utmost completeness and efficiency. As a Fragment of Divinity the ego has all wisdom; but as it involves, its vibratory rate is lessened until at the start of evolution, or the upward sweep of the cycles, it practically starts at nil. Having learned all wisdom in the Divine Bosom before creation, it did so in four-dimensional activity and consequently must relearn all wisdom in a created manifestation in which the fourth dimension becomes the life principle of the other three or, in other words, having learned all wisdom mathematically it must relearn it geometrically. A fine thought for meditation upon the foregoing statement is the fact that the desirability of this relearning became so simultaneously with the desirability of creating in three dimensions, or geometrically. Take, for instance, the three dimensions of the human form and its parts—do they not achieve all glory through their flexibility, or power of locomotion; or, in other words do they not constitute a very wonderful home for, or vehicle of expression for the ego, by virtue of the three dimensions being constantly variable through the power of the fourth? Truly we are “fearfully and wonderfully made.”

6. To continue:—Following the mighty cosmic currents of driving, life-giving energy that is constantly being thrown off by the Godhead into the universe, the ego involves through the planets from the one whose influence is of the highest to the one whose influence

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is of the lowest, and through them consecutively experiences the various vibratory rates of their existence. Then, as the last and final stage of involution, the egos are deposited by these great currents upon the earth and are imprisoned in the ores and minerals of inorganic matter.

7. It's first experience is in having it's existence, or state of consciousness, at a practically static state. As the urge for expression manifests itself, the ego gradually asserts its mastery over this condition which was brought about in an involutionary manner in lessening its vibratory rate. Thus having fully arrived at the lowest ebb of consciousness in three-dimensional activity, its driving urge for expression is the only urge it obeys; and so in using the only power it has left it obeys the first law of geometrical existence and divides itself into its component parts of masculine ego and feminine ego. Thus we now have two instead of one and in symbolism and in actuality this separation is a parallel to the division which took place between the Absolute and the Unmanifest. This separation constitutes also, the fundamental law operated by the Father in changing the original energy from the Unmanifest into substance.

8. The egos are guided now by desire only and their first ability to learn and know leads them to enter and experience the vibratory rate of lead and lead formations, because lead is the substance with the lowest vibratory rate and also has the coarsest atomic structure. Step by step they progress from one mineral to another, for as they adjust and readjust their states of consciousness to their surroundings they gradually seek newer and greater fields of expression; and at last having progressed through complex ores or inorganic structures they reach the precious metals and the precious stones.

9. Now, this passing through the inorganic kingdom represents one small but complete cycle of evolution in itself. At the lowest state of consciousness we have lead and lead formations representing a low order of people in physical mankind and their activities. At the highest state of consciousness we have two representations:

1st—The precious metals, gold and silver, which symbolize illumination, or enlightenment in general, and in specific symbolism represent creative power in its masculine and feminine aspects respectively.

2nd—The precious stones, which represent the jewels of mind, or the attributes of mind, and in their crystalline clarity and their many colors symbolize the attributes of spirit.

10. Here the egos enter the organic kingdom, which in turn is divided into four sub-kingdoms—namely, the plant kingdom, the animal kingdom, the elemental kingdom, and the soul kingdom.

11. As the egos pass into the plant kingdom they enter and live in the lowest forms of cell life. Let it here be stated for purposes of clarifying the subject that the egos have no "bodies," or "vehicles," but merely enter and assume control of the various forms of cell life as they desire and are able to do so. Starting with the simple and asexual forms they evolve to the complex and the sexual forms and step by step they experience manifested life in its most elementary phases.

12. Living successively in each stage from simple cells to complex organisms, the egos progress through the various members of the plant kingdom from the simple to the complex in botanical classification and finally enter the realm of flowers and evolve to life and existence in the Rose. Now, the flower kingdom is not necessarily the most organically complex, but in their rise from simplicity to complexity in plant life we find that the egos use not only the plant itself but also its odors and colors in choosing their next homes. For this reason we find at the completion of this little cycle of evolution that the egos in dwelling in roses have attained the highest consciousness possible in the plant kingdom, for the rose is a symbol of physical perfection or regeneration on earth and a symbol of immortality in the Celestial Spheres.

13. After having finished with the plant kingdom the egos are given their first opportunity to control an animated form in passing into the animal kingdom. This takes place first in the earth and then in the water, and the egos live successively in all the lower stages of life from the most simple up to the most complex. Having evolved through the realm of fishes they finally arrive at the most highly evolved crustacean form of life.

14. Now, it must be here remembered that, outside of the care and attendance shown them by the specific elementals controlling or ruling the various phases through which they have so far evolved, the egos have been left almost entirely to their own devices

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and have risen only by the simple desire for greater and ever greater expression. Considering all egos in the lower orders previously discussed, it may be well to answer in advance a question that is sure to arise. All egos do not progress at the same rate—for instance, taking any group starting at any specific step in the evolutionary cycle a few will be exceedingly rapid in their advancement. Of this same group the majority will be mediocre, while a few will be exceedingly slow. All this variance is not due to any fundamental difference in the egos, but is due to the planetary influence which affects all things, be they animate or inanimate, organic or inorganic.

15. Having reached the highest form of crustacean existence, however, the egos having died out of their respective homes are taken to the fourth plane of the Astral. That branch of the earth and water elementals directly concerned with and assisting in this work is directly responsible for this transition. We find then that the egos have been placed in the keeping of the Ruler of the Fourth Astral Sphere.

16. Now, a word of explanation. This transition was necessary for the following reasons:

1. The animals' place of probation, or home between incarnations, is the Fourth Astral Sphere, which is known as the animal sphere.
2. The egos are ready to enter a distinct phase of existence in the animal kingdom which being the direct opposite of crustacean existence is known as vertebrate existence.
3. All vertebrates are semi-immortal and those on earth are astral beings incarnated in a physical body.
4. All vertebrates have five senses, being therefore separate as a class from the rest of the animal kingdom.
5. That at the time of this transition the egos are given their first opportunity to control vehicles having five senses, or the number of senses (vehicular senses) possessed by the perfect, or human, form and therefore must become semi-immortal.

17. The egos then being in charge of the Ruler of the animal sphere are given to parents (astral parents) of the lowest order of vertebrates and the egos are given astral bodies corresponding to

that order. There are several phases of vertebrate evolution to be considered at this time of which the following is an enumeration:

1. That the vertebrates are divided into orders or species and that the vehicles of each order are semi-immortal, in that they are deathless up until the time when the egos are ready to progress to the next order.
2. That there are several orders or species in each of two groups spoken of non-technically as animals and birds.
3. That at the time of astral birth the ego's vehicle grows from infancy to maturity in the same manner as growth takes place on earth.
4. That at the time of any incarnation the law of growth is reversed and the astral vehicle again approaches infancy to conform to or, speaking geometrically, to coincide with and be simultaneous with, the physical vehicle it will inhabit.
5. That after repeated incarnations in one order and a final death out of it on earth the animal returns to its astral home and dies out of its astral vehicle, thus ending its semi-immortality, and is born into the next higher order in the same manner in which it was first given existence in the Astral.
6. That vertebrate existence is again divided into two groups commonly spoken of as animals and birds. The ego must evolve through the "bird" realm before it can enter the "animal" realm.

18. Astral births and deaths are accomplished in identically the same manner as physical birth and deaths. Incarnating animals take possession of a physical vehicle at the instant of delivery, be it from the womb or hatched egg. Egos being born into astral vehicles, however, are given to the "mother" at the time of "conception" and take possession of and become active participants in the development of the growing organism. This last statement applies to both methods of creation first: complete delivery from the womb and, second:—the forming and deliverance of an egg and it's subsequent hatching.

19. To proceed with our somewhat hypothetical method of following two egos through the system of evolution, or the perfecting process, we find that the egos progress through the bird realm up

to the eagle and then upon entering the animal realm progress to the lion. In each of the preceeding cases their rise is, of course, from the lowest order to the highest. By way of explanation let it be said:—

1. That bird life constitutes the struggle for aerial supremacy which in term symbolizes mastery over mind. Air represents mind in that the classification of the occult elements, earth, water, air and fire, these elements mean respectively, flesh, blood, mind and creative or life energy.
2. That animal life represents the struggle for supremacy over flesh and blood, which in occult terms means the ego's struggle to control the elements earth and water.
3. That mastery over the use of mind, which is the emanations of the ego, is essential to the further evolution of the ego before it can hope to attain mastery in the use of vehicles of mind which are flesh and blood. Add this last statement the fact that vehicle delivery represents a higher form of creation than egg delivery and the reader will at once see that the reasons for the previously mentioned arrangement are manifold.

20. In mentioning the eagle and the lion as the highest types of their specific realms, the usefulness of certain animals and birds to man is not given any weight because in the evolutionary scheme the contact of man with certain lower orders does not assist egos of those orders in their progression. Very rarely are the egos benefited by being brought in contact with man for more often than not, man inspires fear and terror in all lower orders and in so doing retards evolution instead of advancing it. The eagle and lion represent the highest types of the vertebrate groups because the egos' existence as such creatures is not only their last existence in each group with experiences peculiar to themselves as a "finishing," so to speak, but are earned only after passing through all lower orders. By virtue of this fact alone the eagle and lion are used by mankind as symbols of supremacy.

21. When the egos have died out of the animal kingdom on the earth and again in the animal sphere they are ready for what is perhaps the greatest change and the most wonderful reward since their first birth in the Astral. This change is their advent into the Elemental Kingdom. Being again in charge of the Ruler of the

Animal Sphere, they are given over to the Rulers of the Earth Elementals and the egos are given earth elemental bodies by earth elemental parents.

22. Before proceeding further a word about the elementals, or elemental spirits, may prove enlightening. They comprise four kingdoms corresponding to the four occult elements—Earth, Water, Air and Fire; and their importance is in reverse to the order in which they were named, which is the order in which the egos progress through the four kingdoms. Elementals vary in stature from six inches to four feet in height and are comparatively the same as human beings so far as general appearance goes. Their nervous and mental make-up is neither as complex nor as highly organized as the human, yet the elemental is capable of doing, in a less perfect manner, anything that a human can do in as much as physical and mental activity and mode of living may be taken as a common ground for comparison. Any well developed psychic can see them and the stories and legends of antiquity mention them as gnomes, fairies, sprites, etc.

23. The substances of which the elemental body, or vehicle, is composed vary with each kingdom, yet all four substances come under the general classification of astral, and in that scale represent higher or lower vibratory rates of astral substance as the case may be. The fineness, or vibratory rate, of these substances is in direct proportion to the status of any one kingdom with reference to the other three—Earth lowest, Water the next, Air the next and Fire the highest.

24. The various phases of life in the four elemental kingdoms have many things in common of which the following will serve as good examples:—

1. Each kingdom is subdivided into parts, each part having a ruler who is in turn subject to the Ruler of the Kingdom.

2. The egos progress through the various parts of a kingdom from the lowest to the highest. This designation of position is due to the fact that each part has certain specific duties with regard to the evolutionary scheme of all lower orders and many duties peculiar to their own progression, and therefore a part of a kingdom is spoken of as lower or higher according to the phase of evolution

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that it labors with or controls.

3. Each kingdom controls and works with all lower orders which come under its domain. The following outline form will give the reader an approximate idea of these duties.

Earth—the material substance, earth—minerals—cell life—plants crustaceans—animals.

Water—the material substance, water—cell life—plants—crustaceans—fish.

Air—the material substance, air—storms and air currents and all weather conditions—birds.

Fire—the material manifestation, or flame—all phases of combustion either slow or rapid—special duties in the three lower kingdoms.

4. Having progressed through one kingdom the egos die out of that kingdom and are born into the next one. Elemental bodies, or vehicles, are semi-immortal, in that they do not die until the egos are ready to go to the next highest kingdom. Elementals, then, living for thousands of years in any one kingdom do so without death and rebirth.

25. The egos then progressing through the elemental kingdoms learn from the point of absolute rulership the control and use of the three elements, earth, water, and air, which symbolize the three dimensions and their controlling authority or mind. In their final elemental "life" the egos, as fire elementals, in learning the use and mastery of fire in all its physical manifestations, have mastered the inner principle which is the foundation of all existence. The occult element, fire, represents the creative power of the universe and also represents the fourth dimension and consequently the egos having in their evolution passed successively through all form manifestation from the simple to the complex, do in the fire kingdom arrive at the completion of the first cycle of involution and evolution and learn the inner principle of all forms of manifestation. (See Par. 5).

26. The fire elementals of today, called Salamanders, are the future, or sixth race and will inhabit this planet after the present

race is gone. Needless to say that the day of Adam being yesterday, we (the present race) were the fire elementals of the day before yesterday. Proof of this statement will be found in the following paragraphs.

27. Having died out of their fire elemental bodies, the egos are taken directly to the Court of the Creative Hierarchies, or the Court of Unborn Souls on the 144th Celestial Sphere. The 144th Sphere is the Dwelling Place of the Holy Ghost and is the only Celestial Sphere in which a being can be born or created. Now, the Holy Ghost is often spoken of as the "Maker of Bodies," and it will at once be seen that in ruling the Manifest Universe, or the part of the universe which is three-dimensional with the fourth as its activating principle, He is undoubtedly the maker, or inventor, so to speak, of the immortal vehicle, or spiritual body.

28. Under the jurisdiction of Melchizedek, the Holy Ghost, the egos are given to parents who are qualified in the eyes of Almighty God to create a being and the egos are born of a spiritual father and a spiritual mother. The egos are born hermaphrodite, or as one being which in reality is two separate spiritual vehicles, a masculine and a feminine in one. [May it here be said that in this process of creation the egos are given to the mother and father and at the time of conception are joined and are fully conscious of, and become active participants in the process of creating their vehicles.]? To this perfect hermaphrodite being is given or added a soul which is a direct gift from God in the Absolute and is added unto the being as a reward and a mark of attainment as well as for purely functionary reasons in the perfection of the being. Volumes might be written upon the soul and its functionary processes; but this limited work cannot go beyond the statement that the soul is distinctly separate from the egos and their vehicles in that the soul, the ego and the vehicle are three separate and distinct things. The reason for the foregoing statement is that the soul is sometimes thought, by the misinformed, to be either the ego, the mind or the spiritual vehicle.

29. Now, here is laid the scene of the symbolical story of Eden in Genesis, for as the being is hermaphrodite and having grown to maturity it may be likened unto Adam before being separated into Adam and Eve. Thus a trance, or "deep sleep" is cast upon the being and it separates into its two component masculine

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and feminine parts in much the same manner as the spirit and the flesh separate on the earth when sleep occurs. The soul is also dual in nature and separates at this time. The two halves of the being are now a man and a woman and are ready to start on their second great cycle of involution and evolution.

30. Gradually descending, they live for a time on each sphere until they have reached the first, or outer, sphere of the Celestial Realm. Here the law of growth is reversed and the two beings are brought again to an infantile condition, are transferred to the ninth, or outer, sphere of the Astral and are given astral vehicles by astral parents. They do not lose their spiritual bodies but are merely placed in, or imprisoned, so to speak, in astral vehicles at their instants of delivery. The astral vehicle, or body, is semi-immortal and the "spirits" (the man and the woman) keep their astral bodies throughout thousands of years of experience in the Astral and on the earth. For the sake of clarity we may speak of this as the Astral-Earth period of evolution.

31. The Ninth Astral Sphere, formerly the Dwelling Place of Lucifer and Her court and now the seat of authority of Mithros, present ruler of the Astral, is the only Astral Sphere where the form of being can be created or, in plain words, where a man and a woman can become parents, and in this respect corresponds to the 144th Celestial Sphere.

32. Upon entering the Astral the beings come under planetary law and growing to maturity they involve through the Astral Spheres in much the same manner as they did through the Celestial Spheres. When they are ready to incarnate (be placed in red flesh) the reversal of the law of growth again prepares them for this experience and they are born of physical parents, entering their little physical bodies at the instant of birth or delivery.

33. Up until this time we have kept the two egos (which, since the time of their creation, are soulmates) together, but here is a dividing of the ways. Soulmates very rarely incarnate at the same period of time and still more rare become associated in any way during earth life. In highly evolved pairs each becomes in turn the guide, or guardian, of the other who is incarnated. Even this phase of guardianship is limited and occurs only for incarnated people who are very far advanced in occult things. More often than not the soulmates or two halves of the perfect being do not see

each other during their Astral-Earth period of evolution except on rare occasions.

34. But behold! we have a baby born upon this planet. What sweeter event can happen? And do you think that such an event is less sweet, less beautiful or less holy if it took place in the Astral or Celestial Realms? Do not be mislead, for creative power has much in common in all parts of the universe and commands respect and worship in direct proportion to the evolutionary stage or state of consciousness of the individual whose mind is brought to bear upon the subject.

35. At this point in the story it is well to briefly consider the subject of heredity while the events leading up to its expression are fresh in the mind. All incarnating egos choose their parents, whether they be animal, elemental or human. This choosing is governed by the law of attraction in so far as it implies friendship and love. In this case we may call it pre-natal attraction—the force which draws the incarnating ego to chose the creators of its next vehicle. Pre-natal attraction varies from brute lust for the father or mother in the low animal ego to the intellectual calculation of the highly evolved astral being who judges the mental, physical and spiritual characteristics of his or her future parents, taking into consideration their conditions as regards their financial circumstances, the part of the world in which they live and the astrological aspects of conception and birth. The two cases just compared are the extremes of the situation. In human destiny the vast majority of people follow blind unreasoning choice in the same manner in which people individually and collectively follow through life a chain of circumstances usually beyond their control because they place them so by thinking so—and for no other reason.

36. This leads us to the ultimate conclusion that while "blood will tell" in physical things such as health or disease, strength or weakness and beauty or deformity, it will not "tell" in things which do not pertain to characteristics which two physical vehicles may impart to a third one. In taking this aspect of heredity into consideration the reader must take into account the following facts that—
1. The mind is the emanation of the ego. 2. The spiritual, astral or physical brains are but channels of the ego's emanations, valuable in proportion to their vibratory co-ordination with the ego and their lack of obstructions, either by way of deformity or inhibition.

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3. That in two persons forming a channel or body for a third the aspects mentioned in 1 and 2 are actively manifested by all three of the persons considered. Thus by way of a final proof of the things in which blood will not tell we arrive at the conclusion that the three people above mentioned will have much in common before the birth of the third, for in the case of pre-natal attraction like attracts like.

37. The great majority of human beings who are almost totally subject to the intricate adjustments of karmic law are not allowed perfect freedom in choice of parents, but are allowed a restricted choice which would not put them as individuals beyond the pale of the destiny which they had earned or laid themselves liable to in former incarnations. Science has too long wasted time in pondering over widely divergent characteristics in parent and offspring, because their consideration has been from a totally materialistic stand point and cannot arise at any really fundamental and underlying truths.

38. Thus the being first created spiritual and immortal has been imprisoned in an astral and semi-immortal body and again imprisoned in an earthly and mortal body. The spiritual vehicle and the ego are created together and constitute the being; the astral and physical vehicles are not joined to the ego but constitute channels only.

39. Now, to finish up the final step of the second cycle of involution. The first birth of all egos upon this planet is in the lowest depths of ignorance and savagery. There are many attributes or characteristics in the perfect being—indeed, they number 144 and their manifestations number 144,000 and the “young soul” has a long and weary way to travel and many lessons to learn in the thousands of years of life alternating between the Astral and the earth. Many incarnations must the being live—indeed, the absolute minimum is twelve, while the maximum approaches one hundred, with a greater majority, however, between sixty and seventy incarnations are sufficient to perfect them enough to allow them to re-enter the Celestial Spheres. The number of incarnations and their “distance” apart depends entirely upon the individual—there are no “lost souls” and every individual makes and breaks his or her own destiny.

40. There are no new souls on earth at the present time.

Those who are in savagery today are the illumined races of yesterday who retrograded. The earth and the Astral are populated entirely by human beings who have incarnated a number of times, ever searching for the key to destiny which will open the door to spiritual immortality. "Know the truth and the truth shall make you free." More profound advice was never given to humanity than this simple statement from the lips of the Christ. Happiness we are searching for, happiness which can come only after we have freed ourselves from that ever-the-same yet ever-changing experience wherein we learn by two methods—either by study and application or by transgression and repentance or punishment. Ignorance is no excuse and the study and application method is not only more desirable but is inevitable as the final steps through which the individual must pass during his or her last incarnations. Truly then, "The way to atonement is the way of positive scientific knowledge." Mere belief gets no one higher than the first three Astral Spheres. Incomplete philosophies even correctly applied can get the individual no higher than the Seventh or Eighth Astral Sphere and then it is only for the space of time between incarnations. Mankind must face the reality and take into consideration the whole mighty plan of their perfecting process; and the day has truly passed by when a person may safely stand on one simple creed and sneer at all the rest. Truly belief in the Christ will "save" you—from what? But if you believe in the Christ principle also and apply it within your bodies, then you are evolving and ultimately will be free or "saved." The foregoing statement is not intended to be disparaging, for the true occultist believes in the Christ even more than those who loudly profess their discipleship, for the true occultist knows that the Christ IS THE WAY and SHOWED THE WAY to immortality and all that it holds of happiness and goodness.

41. Now, the ego progressed through four kingdoms of elementals (See Pars. 24-25) and learned the use of the manifestation of the three dimensions with the fourth as their activating principle. Human evolution is also planned according to certain definite plans corresponding to universal symbolism. The individual on the path to perfection must do the following:—1. Live in each of the five races which correspond to the five senses of the microcosm which in turn in macrocosmic symbolism represent the manifestation and the perception of the Five Members of the Godhead—the Father,

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the Divine Sophia, The Christ, the Holy Ghost and the Divine Mystery respectively. 2. They must live in each of "The 12 Tribes of Israel" which are a representation of the 12 Creative Hierarchies whose particular manifestation in the macrocosm is the division of the Celestial Spheres and the division of the Zodiac, while their particular microcosmic manifestation is the twelve major nerve centers in the perfect being. The intricate machinations of planetary influence bring to the being a realization of the 12 phases of mentality, the 144 attributes and the 144,000 manifestations of those attributes. Planetary influence is again responsible for making the ego thoroughly schooled in the perfect vehicle (human and Divine) which is the manifestation of the perfect mind. Correspondingly, you have the 12 major nerve centers, the 12 functions with functional structures of each center (total 144) and the thousand structure manifestations and channels of each major function which when totaled amount to 144,000. This is the number of the perfect body which has a perfect channel for each manifestation of the perfect mind. The parts of the body with relation to the mind is in parallel symbolism with the relation of the Elect to Divinity.

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42. After repeated incarnations often hundreds of years apart, between which we live on that Astral plane where our attainment (or lack of it) places us, we finally die out of our last incarnation upon earth. This is accomplished only after all earthly lessons have been learned and passing up through the planes of the Astral to the Ninth Plane we "die out of" the Astral body and pass to the Celestial Spheres. Then, and only then, are we free from illusions and the planetary law which makes them so high priced. The Astral body thus spoken of is none other than the Astral body which the spirit has "worn" for thousands of years.

43. In returning to the Celestial Spheres the being evolves up through them, studying, learning and living on each plane. The length of their stay on each plane is variable according to individual desire and adaptability and may range from a few years to many

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hundred years. They do not have "years" there, but by speaking in terms of material expression a better idea may be gained.

44. You, the reader, have doubtless read the foregoing paragraphs with such rapidity that you have probably failed to consider time. May it here be said that the lapse of time between the egos departure from the Absolute and its acquisition of a perfect vehicle on the 144th Sphere is approximately 144,000 years and that the lapse of time between the beings' departure from the 144th Sphere and his or her probable return is approximately 144,000 years. In other words, in each of two cycles of involution and evolution the lapse of time is not less than one planetary cycle of the earth to each manifestation of perfect mind. The use of the term manifestation implies vibratory group rates of consciousness each group representing an octave so to speak, and the specific harmonies of each group. The combinations of groups are infinite beyond conception, thus truly mind is infinite and boundless.

45. Memory is the foundation of all perfection, so that a word about it is necessary in considering it as an activating principle in the evolutionary process. There are three phases of memory to be considered. They are: 1st, conscious memory, in which the mind recalls certain incidents or events. 2nd. Subconscious memory, which acts as a storehouse of remembered things and which manifests as instinct and character. 3rd. The scope of memory or the length of the time in which the mind has been keeping records.

The evolutionary law of memory is this:—

In all stages of evolution the specific stage becomes the scope of conscious memory, while all that has gone before of early existence or existences becomes sub-conscious. Beyond the last-mentioned statement, which applies generally, there are also scopes of conscious memory possessed by the ego only at certain intervals. They are:—

1. The transitions from mineral to vegetable and vegetable to animal kingdoms, in which the ego has conscious memory back to its departure from the Absolute.
2. The transitions between orders or species in the animal kingdom, in which the disembodied ego on the animal sphere has conscious memory back to the time of its entrance into the animal kingdom.
3. The transitions or Astral lives of the animal between

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incarnations within any one order or species, in which the animal has memory back to the time of its entrance into that order. The earth life of any animal with regard to memory comes under the general application of the evolutionary law.

4. The transition between the animal and the elemental kingdoms, in which the disembodied ego has conscious memory back to its departure from the Absolute.

5 The transitions between elemental kingdoms ,in which the disembodied ego has memory back to its departure from the Absolute.

6. The transition from elemental life to creation as a being ,in which the disembodied ego has conscious memory back to its departure from the Absolute. As a being the ego comes directly under the evolutionary law of memory, for all that has gone before becomes sub-conscious and the scope of conscious memory must start anew at celestial birth. This process of staring anew repeats itself at astral birth and again at each earthly birth. During earth lives we remember back to earthly birth only, but during the astral transitions between incarnations we remember all astral existence back to the time of astral birth and all earth lives as well. The previous statement regarding astral memory does not apply to persons below the sixth or seventh spheres, for they are not sufficiently evolved to possess such memory and because they are usually not much above the animal consciousness they have memory from their last incarnation only. Upon re-entering the Celestial Spheres we will remember all things back to the time of creation as a being on the 144th sphere.

Note: To the Occult Masters, either on earth or in the Spheres, it is possible to "go within" and by a special process of drawing out the sub-conscious mind or memory, consciously recall any event back to the time of the egos creation or consciously regain any knowledge gained since that time.

46. During the first cycle of involution and evolution the ego is not held responsible for errors and consequently does not "sin" but after being given the perfect vehicle in its creation as a spiritual

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being it become directly responsible to Highest Authority. In the Astral and on earth all beings make and break their own conditions or circumstances and by the law of readjustment, compensation or karma, as you will, determine their own destinies. This is all regulated under planetary law and if their minds retrograde to the extent of being unable to progress in any evolutionary manner, the reversal of this process sets in and their minds go "down stream" until they turn around and go "up stream" of their own accord. There is no such thing as absolute rest in any form of life, either material or spiritual; and when anything ceases to evolve it at once begins to involve. You, the reader, can begin to understand the masterful manner, in which this school room of God (as mentioned in Par. 1) is conducted. In this God-conceived and God-ordained plan all things are in the process of perfection; and woe be unto the individual that digresses from his or her appointed task. That is why Christ said "know the truth and the truth shall make you free:"—free from this system under which the attainment of perfection is the reason for being (See Par. 28, Chap I). It may strike the reader as odd that the ape and monkey families were not called the highest type of animal existence, for indeed they are not, because they are the special expression of humans who have digressed or retrograded to the extent of being unworthy of the perfect fleshly vehicle. They are still spiritual-and-astral beings; and the term special expression means the special vehicles which constitute not only the highest manifestation possible to the retrograded being but also constitute probationary prisons, so to speak, where the being can re-learn certain lessons and again take the upward path. The various groups of the ape and monkey family represent the various limits to which an individual may go in that particular direction. They are free to come back when they will and that is when their minds have been changed from error to truth,—which is but one way of saying that they have been punished for their error.

47. The example of the ape and monkey will serve as an excellent explanation of many other forms of life which do not conform to an even line of maximum ascent in the scientific classification.

48. Throughout all processes of involution and evolution the ego is perfect because it is Part of God. Involution places upon the ego a cloak of illusion by lowering its vibratory rate and thereby

hindering its manifestations which are its mind. Evolution represents the fight for supremacy over this illusion and the struggle to gain perfect manifestation in three-dimensional existence. A retrograding ego represents a re-involving ego, for retrograding increases the illusion instead of decreasing it.

49. The soul is, was and always will be perfect and neither involves nor evolves as the ego does but always remains the same. The soul is located on the outside of the body and not on the inside and is therefore not subject to astral or material contamination. It is subject to forfeit in extreme cases of digression, and in such cases must be re-earned.

50. After reaching the heights of spiritual existence the being is perfect for two main reasons: First: the being was created as an ego in a perfect, or Divine, three-dimensional vehicle. Second: the ego has been re-perfected in its manifestations in such a vehicle, and since such manifestations are the mind the being is perfect because his or her mind is perfect. In other words, then, the mind which is the thought vehicle of the ego and the soul have been benefited by experience. We now arrive at the occult truth that the re-perfected, or to state it most correct, the disillusioned or free ego manifests a perfect mind and a perfect mind manifests a perfect vehicle or body. In the final product, then, His wish is fulfilled, His law has been upheld and His name glorified.

51. When a being reaches the 144th Sphere they are truly free. They may enter the Absolute or stay in the Spheres or go and come at will. They may enter the Unmanifest or the Uncreate or any part of the Manifest Universe that they might wish to visit or study in. There is always work to do—work that is useful, work that is loved and enjoyed—for life in the Spheres does not consist of hanging one's feet over the edge of a cloud and, in the artistic attire of a single night-gown, play a harp forever and forever, because it is just as complex and vivid as earth life, and contains more activities for the expression and fulfillment of desires, and has more channels for the expression of every attribute of mind and character than any lower existence.

52. Our present status can be readily realized when the reader stops to consider the fact that we are now in the "last days" and, comparatively speaking, humanity is practically finished with the evolutionary half of the second cycle of involution and evolution.

The term "humanity" thus used applies to all people on the earth and in the Astral. The population of the Astral is seventy or eighty times as great as that of the earth, or in other words, approximately 1/75 of the Astral's inhabitants are constantly in an incarnated state upon earth. This sounds stupendous, but work it out mathematically, taking into consideration three main facts. First: That the average repetition of an individual's incarnations is approximately every 2,000 years. Second: That the average span of earth life is thirty-three years. Third: That fully twenty per cent of the Astral's population is made up of two great groups that do not incarnate—((a) those who are not astral but spirit and who are teachers and workers and (b) those who by reason of their punishments in Spheres One, Two and Three are confined over such long periods of time that they would not enter into the equation.

53. In the comparatively short period which is the "last days" humanity's evolution will be ultra-rapid. The Chrsit said that "The harvest is ripe and the laborers are few": and that statement is true today, for the harvesting began at Her crucifixion. The last days will witness some enormous upheavals and to you who can interpret—read Revelations.

54. The Astral has begun to dissolve with the leave-taking of Lucifer, the Divine Mother, and probably can be used as a group of habitable planets for a period not to exceed five hundred years. Those who still remain "without the gate" will have to meet reality face to face for, with the dissolution of the Astral, they will no longer be able to find a place where they can have their illusions "painlessly extracted."

55. With regard to the manner in which the first pair of egos progressed from stage to stage in the evolutionary process not having parents before them to "pave the way" or provide channels, it might be well to take into account the fact that substance absolutely obeys the will of God and He, the Supreme Architect, through the Twelve Creative Hierarchs found it entirely possible to mold formless spiritual, astral or material substance into the desired vehicles. Human beings were created first in spirit and the first pair to enter the Astral and the earth performed a special office. They "astralized" and materialized, as the case might be, and in such states were able to create astral vehicles and physical vehicles respectively. In the same manner the various orders of animals

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were created first in the Astral, and the first pair to start a material counterpart of any astral order materialized and in such a state created animal vehicles which were not like themselves (materialized-astral substance) but were distinctly physical. The elemental kingdoms and all lower orders below the animal kingdom were founded first upon the earth.

56. Outside the Absolute all beings take on a three-dimensional appearance and a three-dimensional vehicle; and if a being (the ego and its surrounding emanation or mind) leaves the Absolute it must take on a vehicle capable of expressing that being and enabling it to operate in such a state. The twelve major emanations of the ego are energy cycles and when unfolded draw to themselves (by virtue of the energy-vacuum thus created) free energy from the universal currents which is moulded into substance around the unfolded energy cycle and the twelve major emanations become twelve centers. These twelve centers in turn mould energy-built substance about themselves through the controlling inspiration of the ego and each creates the thousand channels through which it can and must "run." By virtue of their "oneness," or co-operation, the unfoldment of the twelve centers forms the vehicle and a being is manifest to the spiritual senses. The foregoing process is magical in the extreme, is instantaneous in its complete operation and represents a complete cycle manifested on lower planes of mind as conception, birth and growth to maturity. Upon re-entering the Absolute the being must release the energy, which composes the substance of its spiritual vehicle, back into the cosmic currents and reassemble itself; or, in other words, the ego withdraws the twelve major emanations, or energy cycles, to their former position with regard to itself. The magical laws involved in the foregoing process would seem impossible to learn; but you, dear reader, know them by heart, for when you were created on the 144th Sphere you actively participated in the entire process. When you return to the state where all memory is yours you will not want for wisdom.

57. The twelve major nerve centers of the human body are really "little brains" and parts of the individual brain in as much as they are the "seats" or "dwelling places" of the twelve major attributes of the mind which are the "little minds" and are parts of the individual mind. The lower animals have some of these nerve centers and possible one or two at most are partially "open." The

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term "open" in speaking of a bodily center means its complete functioning, taking into consideration not only its purely physical operations but its close co-operation with the astral and spiritual counterparts of that center because the spiritual body, the astral body and the earthly or physical body are coincident and coexistent; and any particular center of all three bodies will also be coincident and coexistent. The human form (spiritual, astral and physical) has in reality thirteen centers, since the pineal gland (the seat of the ego) counts as one together with its twelve subordinates. The Christ had all thirteen centers fully open, while the ordinary individual has probably one or two fully open, two or three partially open and the rest absolutely "closed."

58. Now, reread Paragraph 55 and you will understand it better. The occultist understands evolution in a somewhat similar and also in a vastly different manner than the scientific world considers it. The occultist knows that humanity has evolved from the lowest up to its present state but does not admit that humanity has any blood ties with lower orders or that a continuous line of father-mother-offspring sequences links to us grandparents who since our "rise in the world" we might wish to deny for instance, the amoeba.

END OF PART ONE



PART TWO

A word on reading part two—carefully note and write down any question that comes to your mind *at the time that you think of it*. When you have finished reading this Part go over your list of questions, condense those that remain unanswered and send them to the Headquarters of the Order. These will be answered and returned to you free of charge.

CHAPTER I

The Sacred Order of the Blue Flame

THE SACRED ORDER of the Blue Flame is distinctly occult and is the earthly Order founded, inspired and controlled by Melchizedik, The Holy Ghost and High Priest of God. The Order's fundamental aim and purpose (indeed, it's reason for being) is to give and perpetuate the complete scientific philosophy of greater evolution as prescribed by it's Most Illustrious Founder.

Occultism is the study and practice of Universal Wisdom and Universal Love.

Occult Science is the knowledge of the universe taken from a spiritual viewpoint. It is like material science, or the concepts of the scientific world of today, in that it is just as complete and just as accurate in all it's material studies and applications. It is unlike material science in that it goes beyond the narrow confines of the material world and includes all that is Astral and all that is Spiritual. Occult science might be compared to material science in that material science is a picture of a house, while occult science is the house itself. The picture will give you a general idea of the house, but if you will walk around the house itself you will see the other two or three sides; and then if you will go inside you will see the interior decorations, the pictures on the walls, the furniture, and if you are very diplomatic you may meet and become friends with it's owner.

From the advent of highly organized worship down to the present time, the priesthoods of all orders and creeds have been dominated by the malignant influence of Babel, or the confusion of tongues, to the extent that they have ignored the complete and original philosophy. The original and complete philosophy is the teachings of the Holy Ghost, Ruler of All Manifest Existence, and has existed since the creation of the Celestial Spheres and has been given to mankind several times. The various priesthoods, in their subjection to this "babelic" influence, have accepted only the lesser forms of incomplete philosophies. Our Bible was once perfect, but it has been translated and abridged so often that the part we have left is sadly incomplete. Even after some of its more remote trans-

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lations it was deemed advisable by the "religious powers" of the time to give only about one-fourth of it to the world so that the Bible at best is but the second or third installment of a continued story.

Thus it has come about that practically all trace and record of Melchizedek, the Holy Ghost, who is the keeper of all philosophy of the Manifest Universe, has been obliterated for the purpose of perpetuating the illusion of Babel. The confusion of tongues means lack of understanding between various branches of God's children and a consequent divergence of opinion on philosophical matters.

With the coming of the philosophy and the Order of Melchizedek into the world again, the darkness of religious and scientific dissension must and will vanish before the pure white light of the original and complete philosophy.

The main feature of the illusion which was perpetuated by the ignoring of Melchizedek is the factor of the belief in generation without regeneration, and the inferiority of woman. This belief is common to most races today and was common to all races up until the time of the not-too-dim-and-distant past. This doctrine is the essence of hellish ignorance as compared with the doctrine of the equality of woman and regeneration before and with generation which is a fundamental part of the whole truth. That word "regeneration" is a term for which every creed has a different definition. To the true occultist it means using the creative powers to rebuild the individual pending the time when that individual is capable of being parent to offspring that will be a credit to humanity and to God. God is neither continually creating nor continually wasting His creative power; and it is a good thing that He does not, for if He did the entire universe would return to chaos in short order. Let humanity learn of His Ways and His Works and in the symbolism of microcosm and macrocosm interpret therefrom a mode of living that can only be, by reason of its Source, perfect in every way.

During the first part of May in the year of 1922 the Philosophy of the Holy Ghost, called Blue Flame Science, was again established upon this planet in a very modest home in the city of Los Angeles.

This mighty philosophy has been brought to the earth many times during past ages, only to be withdrawn as the civilizations in which it was placed gradually deteriorated. In the past, however,

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mankind had not evolved to such a highly developed race consciousness as we have today and for that reason were not as capable (potentially) as modern humanity in the occult sciences. In this, the great Aquarian Age, the "last days," Blue Flame Science comes to stay. It must rebuild the lost philosophies of ancient times and weld all modern creeds (they are legion) into one belief, common to and understandable to all branches of the human family.

It might seem strange that in the past such a powerful philosophy should have to be withdrawn, yet upon second thought the reader will understand that the Supreme Ones are too wise to thwart their own plans for the gradual evolution of humanity by causing those past races to become hungry for the truth. Truth is not forced upon any person, so naturally each time that the truth was given to humanity only a few profited thereby. Those who had finished their gradual evolution and were ready to know the truth were given the proper opportunity for higher study, while those who would not voluntarily seek and accept it were left to the machinations of destiny until such time as they were ready. "When the disciple is ready the teacher will appear." We may illustrate the foregoing paragraph by a symbol—so the perfumer came each day without fail to care for his flowers and would take home only such blossoms as had reached full bloom. But at the end of the season the plants put forth with such luxuriant abundance that he required the help of every person he could hire, to help him pluck the blossoms, even to the last bud, and carry them into his house because he—

The wise reader also knows that true wisdom is not forced upon any one, but must be sought after and earned by service and sacrifice. This has been the rule in the past and still exists today because it is a part of the law of evolution. The initiate has always had to prove worthy to receive the wisdom of the Spheres. Consequently when those former civilizations deteriorated and degenerated, as every one of them invariably did, they were incapable of producing men (women were not allowed to participate much in those days) who could carry on the work and in each case "the books were finally closed" and the great orders were allowed to go to ruin along with their temples. The foregoing is one of the major reasons for the present existence of so many separate doctrines and beliefs. A manuscript half destroyed by the ravages of time, which

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in most cases is translated according to specific denotation of words instead of taking connotation also into consideration, together with an odd symbol here and there go to make up most of the "rehashed stuff" which fills our libraries and forms the basis of a great many of the prevailing doctrines of today. These doctrines incomplete in their origins and borrowing from others as they grew, have expressed the Babel influence in causing such a maze of creeds, cults and sects that the truth-seeker is bewildered, confused and discouraged to the point of absolute disbelief.

The Aquarian Age, in bringing the Philosophy and the Order of Melchizedek to earth, throws down the gauntlet to all religious dissension and offers a haven of rest to minds that are tired of standing on single statements or incomplete philosophies and casting helplessly about, hoping to find that all the entire universe will conform to that one idea or group of ideas.

Christ, when nearing the end of Her stay on earth, said that She would send the Comforter, the Holy Ghost, to mankind after She was gone. She also said that She would be a "Priest forever after the Order of Melchizedek." What we have no record of Her mentioning yet something that is just as true, is that the Holy Ghost will prepare the earth for Her return.

Blue Flame Science is the complete classified philosophies of the Celestial Spheres, dwelling place and kingdom of Melchizedek, the Holy Ghost. In the Spheres the intellectual status of that portion of humanity which has arrived there in its evolution is infinitely superior to that of all other peoples in any manner whatsoever—be it science, art, philosophy or the thousand and one special activities which can be found in any truly advanced civilization.

These sciences may be classified under thirty-six main divisions and a countless number of unclassified subjects which will be treated at greater length on succeeding pages. Suffice it to say, that Blue Flame Science embraces all of the wisdom of the mighty governments of these great spheres where church and state are one and where the High Priest of God is Supreme Ruler and King.

Melchizedek, the Holy Ghost, caused a great spiritual Master by name Ayerian, to be incarnated upon the earth almost thirty years ago for the express purpose of serving as a channel for Himself and His helpers through whom these great sciences might again be given to mankind. Thus it was that He came to Ayerian at the

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previously stated time of May, 1922, and commanded him to bring together certain ones of proven worth and chosen for the purpose and commence the mighty task of building a fitting temple and teaching humanity. Ayerian has worked unceasingly since that time to bring about the complete and perfect establishment of the Order on earth, and is a Seer of the highest rank, having every psychic and spiritual development possible to the human being.

The teachings of Blue Flame Science are absolutely complete and calculated by the Highest Authorities to provide every bit of wisdom necessary to the further evolution of all people in fulfilling the Father's desire that they should return unto Him.

Briefly told, Blue Flame Science teaches us why we live, how to live, and for what to live. It explains the universe and its visible and invisible structures and planets, together with the relationship between those which are visible and those which are not. In teaching of the invisible planets it explains their existence, action and the mode of life and government of their inhabitants.

It teaches that man is an immortal spirit and is only temporarily imprisoned in a mortal body from time to time, and that today in this last great cycle there are no new souls, or recently created beings, but that all people are thousands of years old and have lived, not one but many lives upon this planet.

It teaches the building of the body and the mentality to attain the Christ consciousness and to develop the psychic side of the five senses.

It develops seership and the ability to personally visit and study in any part of the universe in an out-of-body state.

It teaches of the Divine Five—The Father, the Divine Sophia, the Christ, the Holy Ghost and the Divine Mystery—or God, Sophia, Jesus, Melchizedek and Lucifer—as being personal beings with impersonal powers, of whom two are masculine and three are feminine, ruling and governing all creation together with the host of Lesser Rulers.

It teaches communication through seership, not with the "dead" but with those who have never "lived," namely those who are teachers and rulers in authority to guide humanity and who have never had and will never need a physical incarnation. In this respect it obeys the Biblical injunction to "beware of a familiar spirit" and establishes forever a dividing line between that which is

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occult and that which is spiritualistic.

It is The Truth, single in nature, pure in simplicity, complete in range and divine in origin.

It teaches all of its students all of the knowledge and wisdom which they as individuals are capable of mastering as they pass successively through carefully graded steps in instruction, from the extremely simple to the most profound. It is not the policy of S. O. B. F. to withhold information from a worthy student or to attempt to dominate its members by keeping them in partial ignorance.

It is not spiritualistic. The spiritualist deals with phenomena—the occultist deals with philosophy.

Due to the above mentioned system of carefully graded courses of study, S. O. B. F. is divided into five parts, and they are: The Junior Mystics, The Ancient Master Builders, The White Sisterhood, The Esoteric Brotherhood, and The Blue Flame Scientists. They symbolize, in the order in which they were named, The Outer Court, The Steps, the Left Pillar of the Entrance, The Right Pillar of the Entrance and The Inner Court of the Temple, respectively.

The Junior Mystics is for all children and young people up to twenty-one years of age. Its members will be divided into groups according to age and will form classes in very elementary instruction in all the sciences. Nature study, body building, guided play, development practices, worship, and special reading will constitute the activities of this part of the Order.

The Ancient Master Builders is a purely preparatory organization for both brothers and sisters who must have reached the age of twenty-one. It is in this organization that the student is given a fundamental understanding of the occult sciences and is tried and tested from the standpoints of character and intellectual capacity. Within A. M. B. the student earns six degrees:

1°—Entrance degree granted at initiation. ✕

2°—Neophyte Builder. ⊕ how

3°—Novitiate Builder. — when

4°—Initiate Builder. — why

5°—Adept Builder. — and

6°—Master Builder. → does. Blood of Life

To the great majority of members, who do not intend to devote their lives to the Order, these degrees are granted one at a time over a period of approximately three years duration yet depending, in

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part, for its length upon the amount of time given to the work and the aptitude and general qualifications of the student.

Be it known here and now, that at any time that a student proves unworthy of respect as a brother or as a sister, or as an unworthy recipient of knowledge already acquired, his or her career as a member will be abruptly terminated. This applies to any and all such cases in any and all parts of the Order or its Branches.

Having attained the degree of Master Builder, the student is qualified to make application for membership in the next higher organization. This second step constitutes two separate organizations, namely: The White Sisterhood and the Esoteric Brotherhood. The first is for sisters only and the second for brothers only. These organizations are for the purpose of more specific instruction and more advanced studies in the occult sciences. Each of these organizations grant four more degrees to the student. The work taken up necessary to the attainment of these degrees, while being very intensive, is essentially preparatory to the greater work and can be completed in approximately one year. They are:

WHITE SISTERHOOD

- 7°—Novitiate Sister.
- 8°—Initiate Sister.
- 9°—Adept Sister.
- 10°—White Sister.

ESOTERIC BROTHERHOOD

- 7°—Novitiate Brother.
- 8°—Initiate Brother.
- 9°—Adept Brother.
- 10°—Esoteric Brother.

Having attained the preceeding degrees, the student is entitled to make application for membership in The Blue Flame Scientists. After the necessary trials and tests the student is given the entering initiation and the title of Recognized Brother or Recognized Sister of The Blue Flame.

In the Blue Flame Scientists the student advances to complete and profound instruction in the occult sciences and passes successively through the 49 degrees offered in this, the major part of the Order. These 49 degrees are divided up into four groups of twelve each and are as follows:

Recognized Neophyte—11°, 12°, 13°, 14°, 15°, 16°, 17°, 18°, 19°, 20°, 21°, and 22°.

Recognized Novitiate—23°, 24°, 25°, 26°, 27°, 28°, 29°, 30°, 31°, 32°, 33°, and 34°.

Recognized Initiate—35°, 36°, 37°, 38°, 39°, 40°, 41°, 42°, 43°, 44°, 45°, and 46°.

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Recognized Adept.—47°, 48°, 49°, 50°, 51°, 52°, 53°, 54°, 55°, 56°, 57°, and 58°.

The last and final degree in the Blue Flame Scientists is the 59th degree and carries the title of Master.

Each and every degree is earned only after hard study, for each degree constitutes the mastery of certain lessons and courses of study regarding some phase of occult science, art or philosophy. To the student who does not apply full time every day to the work but only a few hours each week these 59 degrees can be earned in approximately ten years. Further than this there are 85 honorary degrees awarded for special attainments, seniority in the order and service in the various phases of the Order's activity. These honorary degrees are open to both brothers and sisters and are awarded one at a time; and rare indeed will be the masters who have reached the limit of earthly passibility in attaining 144 degrees—which is the total of 59 and 85. The 144 degrees are symbolical in the extreme, and in earthly symbolism represent an individual's evolution after the death in the Astral. (See Involution and Evolution.) Entrance into the Order is a symbolical entrance into spirit, for the reality must be faced and illusions and personal ideas dropped once and for all. The earthly Order assumes as a fundamental axiom that the Holy Ghost is the best judge of Reality, Illusion and their manifold differences.

Public lectures and convocations of great instructive value for non-members as well as members, and profuse periodical literature for public circulation are two principles of practice which separate the Sacred Order of the Blue Flame from practically every other occult order in so far as comparison may be made upon the grounds of methods of teaching. All Blue Flame Temples will always welcome the general public and will have special series of lectures, at all times announced in advance, for the benefit of all who seek the why and the wherefore of things exoteric and esoteric that pertain to human life and living.

The priesthood of the Blue Flame is separate from the general classification previously given, in as much as it will be composed only of unmarried brothers who before entering must have attained the 59th degree and Mastership and must pledge their lives to the work.

By way of further explanation of the Order it will prove valu-

able to the reader to know some of the principles, underlying and motivating the Order in actual operation. These comprise (besides the single purpose of teaching humanity) some methods of application that are befitting to the Order in its early Aquarian advent and are involved, along with many others, in the practical demonstration of the philosophy. A brief outline of the most important ones will answer many questions in the mind of the reader that have probably arisen by force of comparison with contemporary organizations. S. O. B. F. stands for atonement (at-one-ment) by way of positive scientific knowledge correctly applied and the following enumerations have for their foundation this highly practical belief.

First. The preparation of the individual for the life (they must sooner or later become part of it) in the Astral and Celestial worlds. This takes in, not only an actual survey of the universe, its current events and its history, but courses of study explaining the exact conditions that must be met upon leaving the physical plane. Countless millions pass to the Astral, get to some one sphere or other and stagnate intellectually in the same conditions and for the same reasons that people stagnate intellectually upon the earth. To this end it is the aim of S. O. B. F. to inculcate in the heart of every individual a supreme desire to evolve. This desire is as fundamental a law in every mind as the desire for food, yet it is dormant and needs stimulating to bring it forth in strength and power. This stimulation is received in intensive training in the methods of progressing from one plane to another by a full realization of the laws and lessons that each plane contributes to the further perfection of being. It may seem strange that the majority of people do not progress in the Astral, but just the same people are people there or here and must show an initiatory interest to obtain instruction.

Herein may be incorporated the Order's enthusiastic partisanship for cremation of the dead physical body as the final preparation for its departing tenant. A vehicle born of earthly fire must to earthly fire return. Complete destruction of the physical body after its period of usefulness is over is vitally essential in many ways: (a) It frees the spirit of any telepathic influence which might come "through it," such as the grief of beloved ones which absolutely retards and holds back the departed one, or strong emotional tendencies of an earthly nature on the part of the spirit and accentuated by his or her awareness that the former habitation still

exists. These emotional tendencies may be love, hatred, revenge, lust or the influence of drug or other habits that are destructive and enslaving. (b) It absolutely prevents vampirism, whether it be of the magnetic or the blood-sucking variety. (c) It assists in the rapid disintegration of the "astral shell." This is the illusion body. It is a magnetic counterpart of the physical body and is formed at the age of seven to preserve life in the flesh while the flesh sleeps, allowing the spirit to be free from the body during such periods. Prior to the previously mentioned age the spirit is imprisoned continuously. The "astral shells," or illusion bodies of the deceased are the cause of more error in "spiritualistic," or "mediumistic," circles than any other thing, for they possess in mentality, memory and character everything that the physical side of the being manifested. They must dissolve and the sooner the better. Their existence after death may be one year or one hundred, according to the consciousness of its former abode. Perhaps several more reasons for cremation could be cited, but the above will suffice to justify the belief.

Second: The spiritual guidance of the individual. Through a special department this work will be carried on of giving every member the greatest possible assistance in personal problems. From the astrological standpoint the individual will be thoroughly schooled on his or her strong and weak elements of body and mind, how to use the strong ones to the best advantage, either vocationally or otherwise, and how to develop and strengthen the weak ones.

Another phase of spiritual guidance is the teaching of the individual of his or her specific place in the cycle of evolution, just what lessons have been learned and what lessons or experiences remain. This takes in karma, planetary influence and the life of the individual in the Astral prior to physical birth, all of which is divulged by the Akasic records under expert manipulation.

The final aim of spiritual guidance is to lend a definitely human touch to the interpretation of the sciences and philosophies of the universe, since S. O. B. F. recognizes the need of special care for the individual under advisors fully capable of instant communication with any part of the universe and interpreting the special knowledge received therefrom.

Third. Healing. The Order will teach and put into practice all of the varied forms of healing, be it by the laying on of hands,

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by prayer or by purely mental processes. One of the greatest aspects in doing as the Christ did is to heal. She laid down that law and any person professing any belief in Her should not fail to support such a practice.

Fourth. The sanctity and holiness of the home and parenthood. The Order teaches of the divinity of Motherhood and Fatherhood and asks the question, Should a father be less of a parent than a mother? The mistaken idea which permits such a question has been one of humanity's gravest errors and must be eliminated. The Order teaches that the home is a fundamental and essential part of any economic system, be it on earth or in the Spheres. Any student of economics will admit that the home is the foundation of all government, and this applies to all parts of the universe as well as to the particle of cosmic dust upon which we dwell.

Fifth. The complete emancipation of woman. The true woman is coming into her own, but greater advance is yet to come and she will no longer be in bondage to man, whether by force of love, money, occupation, customs, law or public opinion: for it was by woman that man fell and it is by woman that he must rise. It is she, the Goddess-woman of the Aquarian Age who will lead the way to the further enlightenment of humanity. It is she who will refuse to breed cannon fodder. It is she who will demand of man the respect she deserves but has never had and will lead him to the heights of illumination in the philosophies and sciences of the new order of things on earth.

Sixth. The perfection of humanity. Perfection individually and collectively from the four great standards of physical, mental, moral and spiritual fitness. This perfection of humanity involves the sex question and in this as in all others we believe in the complete education of every person from childhood on, elementary at first and progressing to the deeper studies in direct accordance with the increase of understanding and discernment.

Most of the error of the world is due to ignorance, or rather to the innocence whose synonym is ignorance in this respect. The darkness and illusion of the world is the darkness and ignorance with which this subject is shrouded. The creative and re-creative power is the God in man, and the only way to prevent disease, crime, prostitution and insanity is to stop breeding it; and just so long as organized society permits such breeding just so long will it

exist and not one moment longer.

Mental perfection is attained by studying and applying the laws of the mind.

Physical perfection is attained by studying and applying the laws of the body.

Spiritual and moral perfection is attained by studying and applying the laws of the universe.

Seventh: The Order upholds and commends the national spirit in all nations as being essential to the further evolution of man. Every true occultist knows that, symbolically speaking, the earth is a being and that the oceans, continents and nations are its parts and organs and that under God's law the earth changes and evolves the same as a being.

In recognizing this truth it is then necessary to comply with the Supreme Wish and let each nation have its national spirit, its patriotism, its customs and its peculiarities—for in these lie a symbolism so complex and so profound that they are an education in themselves, to the learned and wise who can interpret and understand.

It is in this spirit that the Order advocates America for the Americans. Let it not be the spirit which condemns the brother and sister nations and goes to war, for then we are "a sick man." Let it be the spirit of brotherly love and human kindness and one of understanding and cooperation with our foreign neighbors; and, behold! we then are "a well man" and as such acceptable unto the Most High.

True, God has placed us here to evolve and various conflicts in history have been unavoidable under the circumstances, but can we not quit causing Him tears and help Him instead, for we are "a grown-up man" now and we should wish to conduct ourselves with a befitting dignity. Just because we once belonged to the animal kingdom was no reason for staying in it and just because war has been unavoidable and necessary is no reason for continuing such practices.

Eighth. We stand for the amalgamation of all creeds and doctrines under one great banner, using that which is good from each and discarding that which will not prove out in actual practice. No creed or doctrine could exist if it did not have a purpose in the Divine Plan; and for the same reason no church or cult could exist

unless it were partly in accordance with universal principle. Bearing this in mind, we strive for universal brotherhood and welcome all races, regardless of creed or belief, to membership. May it here be stated that we do not countenance the mixing of races under any circumstances and to that end separate Branches will be established for each race in any district capable of sustaining such institutions.

Babel, or The Confusion, has served it's purpose in the evolution of man and must ultimately cease, and out of the chaos of sectarianism must come unity and harmony.

Ninth. We stand for a universal language based on the esoteric laws of the communication of ideas and made common to all people of the earth. In this we see an elementary step toward Brotherhood and one common understanding of the Supreme Being, the universe and the why and the wherefore of things which should be of mutual interest but which have in the past been the causes of much discord and hatred.

Beyond what has been stated in preceeding paragraphs let it be made clear to all here and now that S. O. B. F. does not and will not under any circumstances enter politics or attempt to use political power.

It is the plan and purpose of S. O. B. F. to become international and world-wide in its activities, for it is the Wish of the Holy Ghost that such be the case and His Wish is Law.

Again likening the earth unto a being—Modern means of transportation have been given to this planet, in it's final steps of evolution to "become spirit" as the Realm of the Christ, in order to produce a closer relationship between nations and symbolizes in identical parallel the steps to perfection taken by the student who through development and mental dominion over the vehicle, opens the "unopened" centers of his or her body and in perfecting the entire nervous system under the co-operative influence manifested by the ego brings the whole vehicle into closer working harmony. (See Par. 56, Chap. 2, Part One.)

The unregenerated being (the earth of yesterday) functions through but a few centers and those improperly or in a disconnected and inharmonious manner. The regenerated being (the earth of tomorrow) functions through all centers (national capitals of the 13 truly great nations) and in an harmonious manner (peace

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on earth), and thereby the body is brought under the dominion of mind and made "whole", or well.

Right in line with the foregoing symbolism is the fact that just as Blue Flame Science, as the Inspirational Teachings of the Holy Ghost, was "local" to certain parts of the world in the past, so will it be international in it's present "incarnation," which is the final preparation of the earth for the Return of Her, our Rightful Queen and Regent.

CHAPTER II

Expansion Plans

IN DETAILING the purposes of the Order, such as its building and organization plans of the immediate and more remote future, it may well be said here that all such plans are prescribed by the White Brotherhood and cannot be questioned nor altered by the earthly Order. It is, therefore, but the duty of the writer to explain and enumerate only and refrain from any uncalled-for or unwarranted flights of fancy.

The White Brotherhood is, in a way, the representative assembly of the Celestial Spheres. Each sphere has a Master or Ruler who, in his realm, is supreme authority. There are 143 such rulers and any one of them controls a kingdom far greater in area than the entire earth. These 143 Masters, together with some thousand or more of the most advanced and illumined souls of the Manifest Universe whose duties are very special in nature and change from time to time, comprise the membership of this Brotherhood. Their sessions are held in the Court of Melchizedek and are presided over by Melchizedek, together with Anuncious and Servius—His right and left hands respectively. Its members are roundly 1200 in number and collectively represent the highest authority in Manifest Creation.

The White Brotherhood is responsible for every great wave of scientific or philosophical illumination that has swept over the human race and represents in the terms of common expression "the best brains of the country." The reader who is far enough evolved to realize the existence of such high authority will have no incredulous thoughts to mar the perusal of the following.

To proceed with the outline of the plans of expansion of the Order we must divide them into two major parts—the building program and the assembling of an executive staff capable of carrying on the work.

The building program may be divided into three separate parts, in the chronological order in which they will be consummated. This order is: 1st, the temporary temple; 2nd, the Supreme Temple, together with its adjacent buildings and grounds, and 3rd, the Branches of the Order.

With regard to the temporary temple, it is the desire of the

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present Board of Directors to build a headquarters of sufficient capacity to allow the activities of the Order to function properly with relation to each other, and wherein they may gradually grow from their present state of curtailment towards detailed operation. It is then, and then only, that the Order can truly start to build up a membership and an executive staff capable of performing the second great part of the building program, namely, the creation of the Supreme Temple. With this end in view it is essential that the following features be embodied in this temporary temple: (a) An auditorium wherein the services and convocations may be conducted properly with regard to symbolism and ceremony and one capable of seating two or three thousand people (b) three or four large rooms of sufficient general utility that they might be used as class rooms and as meeting places for the organizations of the Order. (c) An adjacent building of sufficient size to house the Department of Administration and the Department of Publications. What has been stated as requisite is, indeed, bare necessity.

The second part of the building program has to do with the Supreme Temple and its adjacent buildings and grounds.

It is the command of the Most High Ruler Melchizedek that the Supreme Temple shall be one second to nothing known to man either by way of capacity or beauty. Indeed, this alone is a stupendous task and one that is worthy of every effort that can be expended upon it. Be it known that no earthly architects will draw the plans for this mighty edifice, but that they are already drawn and retained by members of the White Brotherhood, and that they have received the approval of the Most High Ruler pending the time when actual construction commences.

Grouped about this central edifice and within a square whose sides will be not less than two miles in length will be the administrative and departmental buildings, together with such special building as are requisite to the working harmony of the Order. In the following outline each number denotes a building or group of buildings and directly behind the number will be found either its name or the department which occupies it. Below each classification will be found a short descriptive paragraph which will give a general understanding of the various department.

1. The Shrine of the Ancient Master Builders.
2. The Shrine of the White Sisterhood.

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3. The Shrine of the Esoteric Brotherhood.
4. The Cathedral of Silence.

This will be a shrine without doors, and to any and all people, be they members or not, a standing invitation and welcome will be given. Its purpose is to provide a fitting place, open night and day, for those who seek the consolation of prayer, the advice and the healing power of spirit. Priests, Healers and Advisors will be in constant attendance. The Cathedral of Silence will be under the direct control of the Supreme Priest and will closely co-operate with the College of Healing, together with it's clinic and the College for Advisors.
5. The College of Healing and the Healing Clinic.
6. The Division of Individual Guidance.

This particular edifice will house a staff of Advisors whose particular duty will be to render aid and assistance to the members who wish specialized advise on their personal problems. This Division will be in close co-operation with the College for Advisors.
7. The Home of the Priesthood and College of Mediation.
8. The College of Occult Science, Art and Philosophy.

The member, from the time of entrance into A. M. B. to the attainment of Mastership in Blue Flame Science, will be in continual attendance at this college. Attendance will vary according to the member's desire to progress swiftly or slowly and will range from a few hours a month in the case of the average member to several hours daily in the case of members desiring to prepare for a life work within the Order. All members and all departments will work in close co-operation with this college.
9. The college of Applied Arts.

This school teaches the Arts (as we conceive the material term), namely:

 - Music
 - Voice: Singing, Speaking
 - Painting
 - Sculpture
 - Interpretive Dancing
 - Dramatic Expression

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The purposes of this college are manifold. The arts here-
in taught and practiced may receive their highest spiritual
inspiration either through the intuitional or the physic
powers of the artist. The arts are the true expression of
the Beautiful and can here touch the center of all Beauty.
This college will co-operate with the Department of Visual
Instruction and will work hand in hand with it.

10. The Department of Visual Instruction.

The work of this department is in general exactly what
its name implies.

In detail its duties and works are as follows:

1. Creation and presentation of plays (screen and stage)
and movies of scientific value to be used for visual in-
struction in things occult and spiritual. These plays to
be presented in the temples of the Order on the Supreme
Temple Grounds and at all Branches.
2. The organization and drilling of all teams for initia-
tion and degree work.
3. The creation and presentation of various forms of
visual instruction in the realm of interpretive dancing.
4. To use all the arts generally as a means of instruc-
tion.

II. The Department of Publications.

This department will publish all printed works of the
Order or its branches. They are, namely:

1. Text books and special manuscripts of the Supreme
Temple and the three preparatory Shrines.
2. Text books of the various colleges and schools.
3. Periodicals.

1. The weekly paper of the Order.

2. Monthly:

- (a) of the Master Builders.
- (b) of the White Sisterhood.
- (c) of the Esoteric Brotherhood.

3. Of the Child Welfare Department, (a weekly for
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12. College for Teachers.

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13. The Child Welfare Department and Children's Home.

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The jurisdiction of this department covers the following:

1. Operation of the Children's Home.
 2. Co-operation with the Junior Mystics.
 3. Education, care and development of ALL children.
14. The Department of Administration.

The jurisdiction of this department covers the operation of the Order with regard to business details, membership, control of Branches, and will form the co-ordinating influence necessary to the general harmony of all departments.

(The Administration Building will also house the Board of Directors when in session and the Departments of Finance, Construction, Buildings and Grounds, and Extension).

The Department of Extension may well be considered here. This great department will function in co-operation with all activities of the Supreme Headquarters for the purpose of presenting the elementary work of the Order to individuals and study groups in outlying and unorganized districts who cannot take the resident work at the Supreme Headquarters of the Order or one of its Branches.

Most of the actual study can be accomplished in this way. The student thus served must, however, be present at either the Supreme Headquarters or a Branch to receive initiation, membership grant, and for the reception of all degrees bestowed. In unorganized districts study groups will be formed by Priests, Teachers, Advisors and Healers who will be sent in groups of four to establish Branches.

15. The College of Physical Instruction.

This will be located in or near the Gymnasium and will teach and put into practice the true methods of body building.

16. The Library.

Here will be collected the occult works of the world. Not one volume will be omitted unless it cannot be procured, for it is planned to make this a storehouse of all that has been taught in an occult and religious way since Time's beginning. All books will carry a printed pamphlet containing a constructive criticism on the book itself. This

criticism will point out all truths and all errors in the book and explain why such a criticism was made. This library will be for the use of all people and will be of special value to all students who wish to make comparisons or who, under their instructors, are carrying on a special line of research work.

22. The College of Dietetics.

This edifice will house the school teaching the theory and practice of food preparation in all its various phases. Being distinctly of occult value to every member and student, dietetics will here be taught from the standpoint of spiritual wisdom.

Associated directly with and under the supervision of this school will be a large cafeteria which, in putting theory into practice, will demonstrate the truth by serving all residents of the Supreme Temple Grounds and all visitors who may wish to dine therein.

23. The Department of Crafts.

Here will be made the thousand and one symbolical ornaments and fixtures for future Branches and for members to place in their homes. Each of these articles will be made under the highest intensity of spiritual power and will be spiritually magnetized, to radiate a blessing to all who come in contact with such an article. To the reader this may sound absurd but indeed it *is not*. S. O. B. F. is COMPLETE and will work for the perfection of humanity through every possible avenue.

24. Women's Dormitories.

(For resident students, and employees)

25. Men's Dormitories.

(For resident students, and employees)

26. Astronomical Observatory.

This observatory will co-operate with the publications of the Order and several classes in the College of Occult Science, Philosophy, and Art, furnishing calculations that are true from an occult standpoint. The many illusions of space of which material science takes no cognizance will be duly discounted and the result will be true data invaluable to all students. The Masters in charge of the

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observatory will co-operate with The Supreme Seer and His Inner Circle in planning all functions and activities of the Order.

22. The Stadium.

In capacity it must seat the number of the Elect—144,000. Its purposes are:

1. A place where open air convocations and lectures may be held during favorable weather.
2. A place where the occult operas and plays may be presented for the instructive entertainment of all people.
3. A place where The Life of Christ may be presented according to the dictates of Her Teacher, Melchizedek, after whom She (in masculine manifestation) is a priest forever.
4. A place where competitive games may be held that all who so desire of the Branches may contend for the Honors and Laurels bestowed by the Supreme Seer for physical perfection. These include both contests of strength and beauty and will be open by elimination to both brothers and sisters.

Added to the above ponderous list will be many small buildings containing special functions, such as the power plant, the green house, for nature study, supplementing in this respect what cannot be planted on the grounds, the homes of officials, etc.

All buildings will carry out the architectural style and inspiration of the Supreme Temple as far as possible.

The grounds will be laid out in symbolical form for the benefit and instruction of every visitor. Lakes, sunken gardens, winding walks, drives and canals will be featured. Lawns, trees, shrubbery and ornamental structures and statuary will complete the picture.

The grounds will be completely surrounded by a high wall of heavy masonry, surmounted at intervals by beautiful watch towers and having towers at all of its several gates or entrances.

The location of the Supreme Temple is entirely out of the jurisdiction of the Order at the present time since that will be taken care of by the Most High. The place has been selected but no information has been given out.

The third phase of the building program deals with the Branches of the Order. These must be treated problematically,

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since they will necessarily vary according to their memberships and the size and population of the districts they serve. The Temple and adjacent buildings of each Branch will closely resemble it's Parent with regard to style of architecture, etc. The buildings of the Branches will probably be variable in number and proportionate to their general utility as the location of one or more of the activities which will be in separate buildings on the Supreme Temple grounds.

Each Branch in starting will, of course, start small and gradually grow to be like it's Parent. Starting with a central Temple, the activities of each Branch will gradually expand and be placed in separate buildings until, in the case of larger ones, they will closely resemble the Supreme Temple with it's adjacent buildings and grounds.

The second great factor deals with the operation of the Order, it's officers and their duties. In the Supreme Headquarters in it's ultimate perfection will be a perfectly organized system of management.

The Supreme Seer of S. O. B. F. and the Supreme Seeress of S. O. B. F. stand at the head of the executive list. The Supreme Seer, being the Direct Earthly Representative of the Holy Ghost, will have, through Him, supreme authority over all parts of the Order and their operation. The Supreme Seer and Supreme Seeress hold office for life and, at the Will of the Holy Ghost, will appoint their own successors.

Next to the Supreme Seer and Supreme Seeress is the Supreme Council or Supreme Inner Circle of Masters which shall act at all times as assistants to the Heads of the Order. This is in general the duty of this Supreme Inner Circle which in detail will constitute supervision of all activities of the Order.

Next to the Supreme Inner Circle is the Board of Directors in which is vested all departmental control under superior authority. The members of this Board hold office by appointment from the Supreme Seer which in most cases is for life. This Board will be composed of the following 24 officers:

1. Supreme Priest of the Supreme Temple, (The Supreme Priest is also the Supreme Director of the College of Mediation.
2. Director General of the Department of Administration.
3. Director General of the Department of Finance.

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4. Director General of the Department of Publication.
5. Director General of the Department of Child Welfare.
6. Supreme Hierophant of the Ancient Master Builders.
7. Supreme Directress of the White Sisterhood.
8. Supreme Mangus of the Esoteric Brotherhood.
9. General Superintendent of Building and Grounds.
10. Director General of Healing Clinics.
11. Supreme Director of the College of Healing.
12. Director General of the Department of Individual Guidance.
13. Supreme Counsellor of the College for Teachers.
14. Supreme Counsellor of the College for Advisors.
15. Supreme Director of the College of Occult Science, Art and Philosophy.
16. Supreme Director of the College of Applied Arts.
17. Director General of Physical Instruction.
18. Supreme Director of the College of Dietetics.
19. Supreme Director of the College of Physical Instruction.
20. Director General of the Department of Construction.
21. Director General of the Department of Crafts.
22. Director General of the Department of Extension.
23. Director General of the Department of Visual Instruction.
24. Supreme Guardian of the Junior Mystics.

At each Branch will be a somewhat similar organization, the Branch being headed by a Seer and a Seeress appointed by the Supreme Inner Circle. Each Branch will have it's Inner Circle, and it's Board of Directors. The Inner Circle will have active supervision of all things at the Branch. The Board of Directors will be composed of the following thirteen officers:

1. High Priest of the Blue Flame Temple.
2. Director of Administration.
3. Director of Finance.
4. Director of Child Welfare.
5. Hierophant of the Ancient Master Builders.
6. Directress of the White Sisterhood.
7. Mangus of the Esoteric Brotherhood.
8. Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds.
9. Director of Individual Guidance.
10. Director of Healing.

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11. Director of College of Occult Science.
12. Director of Physical Instruction.
13. Guardian of the Junior Mystics.

It will be seen that in the Branch organization no mention is made of the following:

1. Department of Publications.
2. Department of Crafts.
3. Department of Extension.
4. Department of Visual Instruction.
5. Department of Construction.

(All the above departments are peculiar to the Supreme Headquarters only).

6. The College of Healing.
7. College of Physical Instruction.
8. College of Dietetics.

(These colleges will in the Branch come within the jurisdiction of the College of Occult Science.)

9. College of Mediation.
10. College of Applied Arts.
11. College for Teachers.
12. College for Advisors.

(These colleges will be at the Supreme Headquarters only until such time as they may establish branches of themselves at National or District Headquarters).

CHAPTER III

Blue Flame Science

BLUE FLAME SCIENCE is the Spectrum of the Pure White Light of Divine Wisdom. In giving a clear impression of what it is, it's place in the cycles and what it must accomplish broadly used to include all of the teachings and practices of S. O. B. F. into three groups: the occult sciences, the occult arts and the occult philosophies. These three groups overlap, even as separate studies within a group overlap, to such an extent that it is next to impossible to classify them in outline form.

The occult wisdom of the universe must be considered as a whole before a clear conception of the status of a single study, or part, may be had. In this respect it may well be likened unto the body, of which the perfect understanding of any part or function requires at least an elementary understanding of the entire structure.

Another factor entering into the outlining of these sciences, arts and philosophies of spirit is that the Order is still in its infancy in this "incarnation." Melchizedek will add, from time to time, different phases of subjects already classified, in order that various different and entirely necessary viewpoints of the whole may be gained by the students. As the Order grows in size and in capacity for teaching humanity He will add more profound interpretations. He is the Source and the Keeper of all the wisdom of the Manifest Universe; and as such constitutes a Source of Enlightenment never to be found lacking. He will also add "current history" from time to time.

The term "current history" may seem strange to the uninitiate, but be it known that the universe is still in the process of perfection, and that the "unseen" worlds could give us more choice bits of valuable "news" than our own planet. No form of true philosophical endeavor can interpret and ordain a set system of belief and practice in one operation. The interpretations of universal principles are the same always, but the interpretations of manifestations of those principles vary as the manifestations themselves vary. The Order is in no way above Universal Principle and con-

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sequently obeys in all its functions and parts the Law of Growth which is the motivating principle of all existence. Always onward to greater expression—thus do all things exist; and let anything disobey that law, and at once it reverses this law unto itself and goes backward. To stand still is impossible, so the Order and its Teachings will grow and continue to grow until it reaches "maturity in this incarnation," and then it will continue to grow in perfection.

In each of the three separate parts of the outline will be found the classification "special." This term interpreted means, according to its usage, wisdom and applications the existence of which the student cannot even know until that student has earned the right to have it. This is not a violation of the policy of teaching all students all the wisdom, but is a protective measure for the student taken by the Supreme Ones to prevent any student at an incapable stage of progression from stumbling onto powers he or she would be unable to handle.

It will at once be seen on perusal of the outline that detailed study in all of the subjects mentioned is not essential to the average member. The Priest, the Healer, the Teacher and the Advisor specialize according to their life work. It is, however, requisite to the attainment of the degree of Master, that the student have a broad and general understanding of the whole, together with a thorough and detailed understanding of the subjects and practical applications which pertain to individual life and living.

With relation to the division of these subjects with regard to the student in carefully graded steps, it may here be said that the three preparatory organizations give no instruction beyond the necessary fundamentals, except in Dietetics and Body Building. In the major organization the student takes up allied subjects in groups and progresses to a general understanding in all of the subjects in each group simultaneously. This is essential, since various subjects overlap to such an extent that it is only by the group method that the student can gain a perfect understanding of each subject.

In the following outline are the thirty-six occult sciences which compose the base of the pyramid of Blue Flame Science. Those sciences designated as special represent the capstone which of course, to the uninitiate is MISSING. All subjects carry practical applications and uses as well as the text proper.

SCIENCE.

1. Dietetics.
Occult chemistry—the preparation of food—the kinds of food—correct nourishment—elimination of disease and disorder—the attainment of the foundation of physical and mental perfection through diets—food and the Astral body—food and the Spiritual body.
2. Temple Building.
Physical development—exercises—rest—hygiene—care of the body—culture of strength, beauty, grace and poise—detailed perfection of EVERY minute part of the body.
3. Vibration.
Principles and laws—wave rythms—harmony—discord—vibratory laws of all energy and substances of the universe—sense and perception.
4. Substance.
The three planes of substance and the three divisions of the elements—spiritual laws of substance—the fourth dimension—materialization and dematerialization—transmutation.
5. Energy.
The infinite planes of energy—the laws of energy—transmutation—relation of energy and substance.
6. Anatomy.
Structures of bodies physical, astral, spiritual—classification and occult names of parts—relationship of bodies and mind, bodies and ego and bodies and soul—energy forms outside of body—aura and higher bodies. (This is a very intensive study and goes deeper into details than science has as yet perceived).
7. Structures of Universe.
Mathematical and geometrical manifestation of fourth dimension—action of universe and it's parts—the three planes of substance manifested in the cosmos as form—charts—geographical data of Astral and Celestial Kingdoms—detailed study of Absolute, Unmanifest and Uncreate.
8. Cosmic Currents.
Energy sources — routes and cycles—terminations—

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methods of horizontal and vertical travel—building forces—operating forces—sustaining forces—destroying forces—Divine forces or emanations—electricity and earthly currents—accumulation of mental energies of humanity—constructive and destructive accumulations and their action—transmutation.

9. Involution and Evolution.

(See Chapter 2, Part I).

10. Sex.

Relation of the sexes—laws—functions—racial illusion and evolution—parenthood—the God in mortals—the sexes here and hereafter.

11. Elemental Kingdoms.

Elementals of earth, water, air and fire—elementals of the constructive mental realm—elementals of the destructive mental realm—rulership—duties—mode of living—psychological and physiological manifestations—detailed work in the interpretation of legends, folk lore and historical facts regarding these important little people.

12. Phenomena.

“Spiritualistic” truths—“spiritualistic” errors—earthbound souls—earthbound animals—“haunts”—vampires—physical, mental and magnetic vampires of the “living” the “undead” and the “dead”—the astral shells or counterparts (the illusion body) after death—the error of communication with spirits of ignorance and illusion—the devil—demons—mental creations of humanity—personal “thought forms”—black magic, etc., ad infinitum.

13. Numerology.

Mathematical computation of all vibratory rates—numerical values of numbers, letters and combinations—numerical and mathematical principles of all manifestation—numerical symbolism—original hieroglyphs—origin and growth of the various alphabets.

14. Psychology.

Mind, the brain and thinking—the within and the without—the planes of perception, creation and expression—character—mental attributes and their development—hypnotism—telepathy—suggestion—dreams—psycho-an-

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alysis from the various planes; physical, astral and spiritual—abnormal states, error obsession, insanity, and their CURES.

15. Astrology.

Divine rulership through planetary influence—the planets, description and functions—the planets and the guardians of destiny—cyclic mathematics—the phases and uses of astrology—the horoscope and the individual—subconscious and conscious use of planetary rays—comparison of Chaldean, Egyptian, Greek, Roman and Arabic systems.

16. Alchemy.

Alchemic principles of the universe as related to involution and evolution—creation and destruction—karma—reincarnation and atonement—life and death and success and failure on the path—alchemy of substance, energy, body and mind—transmutation of the dross of the world—alchemic principles of the Creative Hierarches and the White Brotherhood—alchemic symbolism.

17. Special Science.

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1. Worship.

Ritualistic worship—ceremonial worship—symbolic worship—spontaneous worship—prayer—convocations—sacraments—the group and the individual—perception of Divine Love and the Worshipers adoration of Divinity—exactly what is mockery and hypocrisy and how to guard against coming in contact with these two soul and ego destroying influences.

2. Development.

Co-ordination of the spiritual mind and body with the physical body and consciousness—the laws of breath control—the thirteen centers of the body—"out of body" states and control—methods of control—the five psychic senses—the planes of sensitivity of the five psychic senses (the five senses of the spiritual body)—other senses.

3. Unfoldment.

The laws of being—expression and progression—life unveiled—the soul sciences—cosmic or Christ consciousness—silence, meditation, concentration and consecration—the

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- spiritual helpers—the guide or “guardian angel.”
4. Demonstration.
Actual practice of Blue Flame Science as a whole—daily living—as a man soweth so shall he reap—the laws of supply and demand—the fullness of existence—happiness must be earned—general mental attitudes—forgiveness—equity—justice and revenge—individual responsibility to God—the penalties of illusion, error and destructive thinking—the rewards of positive perceptions of truth and constructive thinking.
 5. Regeneration.
The laws of physical regeneration—the laws of mental regeneration—the twelve creative expressions of mind and the thirteen major nerve centers of the spiritual and physical bodies—co-ordinated activity of the major nerve centers—the various stages of regeneration—regeneration the law of immortality on all the planes of existence in the universe—the perfect, or Christic, state of regeneration—dematerialization and rematerialization of the physical body—regeneration and the operation of the laws of magic.
 6. Seership.
Development and unfoldment both necessary to seership—the laws and obligations of seership—perception and expression of prophetic knowledge—perception and expression of universal sciences—intuition perfected and complete—direct and indirect inspiration—partial and complete release of physical body—consecration of the physical body to teachers of the Celestial Spheres to be used by them as a channel or vehicle during complete control for giving forth the wisdom of the universe—methods of protecting the physical body from undesirables—how to employ the out-of-body periods to best advantage—the laws and practices of divination—seership and the teacher.
 7. Magic.
Uses and purposes of magic—mantrims—amulets—charms—magic and the creative laws—jewels—incense—perfume—demonstrations and practice—magical symbols.
 8. Healing.

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Divine healing—prayer—affirmation—self healing—magnetic healing—present and absent patients and mental healing—laying on of hands in magnetic healing—the laws of magnetism—development of healing power—the healer's direct obligation to God—exorcism—manual healing—massage—adjustments—medical healing—simple remedies and dietetics—surgical healing.

9. Special Art.

PHILOSOPHY.

1. Divinity.

The Divine Being—the relationship of humanity to the Godhead—the Divine Sophia—the Holy Ghost—the Divine Mystery—the Double Trinity—the Helpers of the Godhead and their offices, such as the Twelve Creative Hierarches the Archangels, and the Angels—Divine law and rulership.

2. Creation of the Universe.

Former creations—chronological order of creation—cycles of the universe—mathematical and geometrical laws of creation—the process of perfection of the universe—change—new or late creations. (See also Chap. I, Part 1).

3. Creation of Man and Woman.

The Holy Ghost the maker of bodies—male and female—the Offices of All in the Godhead in the creation of man—mind and form or vehicular expressions of mind—the soul and the ego—"In Our Image and in Our likeness."

4. Universal Government.

Sophia and the Unmanifest—God and the Absolute—the Holy Ghost, His Offices and Works—the Christ, Her Offices and Works—Lucifer, Her Offices and Works—the twelve Creative Hierarchs—Servius and Anuncious—The White Brotherhood—sphere government and sphere rulers in the Celestial Realm—planetary rulers—planetary virgins—Mithros and the Astral—sphere rulers and government of the Astral—guardian rulers of the earth and starry kingdom—national guardians.

5. Destiny.

Time, change and progress—new creations—the future of

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the present race—the destruction of the Astral—world changes—prophetic interpretations—world perfection and the return of the Christ—the next race—the Aquarian Age, what it is, its place in the cycles and what it must accomplish.

6. The Path of Initiation.

Occult usage of initiation—the path and universal principle—the steps to perfection—attainment—the sacred mysteries—individual involution and evolution—obligations—trials and tests—happiness must be earned.

7. Symbolism.

The uses and purposes of symbolism—a key to all symbolism—the “language” of the universe—the law of correspondence—the within and the without—comparative study of historical systems of sacred symbolism on earth.

8. Microcosm and Macrocosm.

Comparison of anatomy and structures of universe—representation of universal government in the human being—male and female as the “little” universe—detailed correspondence.

9. Occult and Religious History.

The cycles of racial illumination—Atlantian and pre-Atlantian orders—occult history and the religious evolution of humanity—Babel, its purposes and effects—comparative studies of the most important orders of the past—world teachers of the past and their comparison to the Messiah—Grecian, Roman and Scandinavian Mythology—former “incarnations” of Blue Flame Science.

10. Special Philosophy.

Beyond the thirty-six occult “sciences” there are many special subjects and many thousand special interpretations. These subjects and interpretations bear the same relation to the “sciences” as a “sermon” bears to a “text.” This likeness is not absolutely exact but the statement is made for the purpose of clarity.

In the formation of the preceeding outline no attempt has been made to make the descriptive paragraphs under each subject either complete or detailed, for the purpose of these descriptive paragraphs is but to give the reader a general idea of each subject.

CHAPTER IV

Membership

THE THREE preparatory organizations, The Ancient Master Builders, The White Brotherhood, and The White Sisterhood, constitute the three portals by which actual entrance into and membership in the Blue Flame Temple and the Blue Flame Scientists can be attained. Of these the first mentioned is of prime importance to the applicant since it is the First, or Outer, Portal through which entrance must be made.

The first requisite of persons making application for membership in the Ancient Master Builders is that they be twenty-one years of age or older. No applicant will be admitted under that age except by special dispensation to the members of the Junior Mystics of unusual attainment and distinction who desire to enter before reaching their majority.

The reason for this age limit is not at once apparent since many younger minds could comprehend the degree work and the study, so that a word of explanation is in order.

Entrance into any activity of S. O. B. F. except the Junior Mystics necessitates obligations and vows which the immature mind cannot grasp. These pledges are vital and their keeping means everything to the member. Failure to progress spiritually, standing still in studies, or stagnating physically is not countenanced or tolerated, and the applicant must be fully aware of all the things these pledges include, before they are made so that conscious shouldering of their responsibility may take place. The applicant must fully understand their weight and importance and he or she alone must be the judge of his or her ability to fulfill them.

These vows and obligations do not call upon the applicant to forsake anything that is held dear in the minds of right-thinking people, namely: patriotism and fidelity to one's native land, love of one's home and the honoring of one's parents and the many and various priceless attributes of character such as kindness, generosity and love of one's fellow beings. There is nothing in their contents that any good citizen would not be glad to swear to and uphold. There is much however, which specially designates the importance of attaining the goal of the path of initiation once it has been ac-

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tively entered upon; and therein lies the personal responsibility which, to the member is a robe of dignity.

The privileges of membership are limitless. Members in good standing are entitled to enter any activity for which they are qualified and they are entitled to join the specified classes in instruction which, according to the number of degrees attained, are next in order.

All wisdom which is priceless and must be earned will positively not be given through the public press or publications of S. O. B. F., but is retained within, for and by the members and teachers collectively. This does not mean that the public literature and lectures will be worthless to the outsider, quite the contrary, for the Order seeks to uplift humanity as a whole to the planes of spiritual mental and moral enlightenment and to build in humanity high ideals of life, and living, and will unceasingly endeavor to render service to all peoples of the earth.

Members are entitled to the vast array of private manuscripts of the Order and they are entitled to enter all closed convocations and lectures which are for members only. All officials and employees on the grounds of the Supreme Temple or Branches must be and will be Ranking Members of the Order.

The Dues of the Ancient Master Builders are \$1.00 per month and the Initiation Fee is \$5.00. All actual tuition, such as closed classes and lectures, and all text books, printed lessons and manuscripts will have a specified charge attached thereto. This charge will be moderate and in keeping with their actual cost and will be made known to all applicants before entrance.

The ignorant reader will at once say after hearing of or reading the above mentioned policy of price that no true philosophical order or teacher should make a specified charge for instruction; and such a criticism is as wide of it's target as the storied arrow of William Tell had it pierced the boy instead of the apple.

In defence of such a policy:

First. The necessity of using money. It is not possible to build anything, however small, let alone a mighty philosophical order, without using the medium of exchange of the economic system in which it is placed. The Order's ability to serve humanity depends upon the number of people it can teach and help. S. O. B. F. is distinctly not a capitalistic scheme, and every cent that

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comes into it will be used to expand and maintain it so that it may accomplish its single aim and mission of unending service to humanity.

Second: The psychological principle of sacrifice. This principle manifests itself in the emotions in various ways, but in all ways it proves that the individual does not value, and will never cherish, something for nothing. Things are appreciated in the mind of a person in direct proportion to the amount of effort expended to attain or possess it. This applies to the actual effort or to the money used, for the money is but a symbol of efforts or energies expended in another manner. Something for nothing is an error and is not contained as a principle in the law of adjustment, people of character shun something for nothing as they shun that to which it may be best compared—a ravaging disease.

Modern people are in the habit of believing that because Christ taught for nothing all teachers should do the same. Now, a word to the wise:

The Christ's life was symbolical in every aspect, for She is the Way; She showed the Way, She prepared the Way and She lead the Way for humanity to follow. Her purpose on earth was not to build a Mighty Order but to lay the foundations of the Philosophy; and to take Her method of teaching for nothing as a comparison to modern teachers is imbecilic nonsense—the principle involved simply does not apply.

Third. The earning of things worth while in S. O. B. F. does not and will not always mean the expenditure of funds, on the part of the student. Ways will be provided for every person, be they member or applicant, to earn their way through, should such a method be found desirable to them. Indeed, there are many things in S. O. B. F. which can only be paid for in sacrifice and cannot be paid for in money.

Progress through the Order from degree to degree constitutes the following:

1. Attendance at public lectures and convocations.

This applies to members of all degrees with regard to the Blue Flame Temple (wherein will be held all public lectures).

2. Attendance at lectures and convocations for members only

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This is with regard to the organization in which the member's number of degrees attained places them.

3. Attendance at formal and instructive functions and ceremonies.
4. Special duties within the Temple and the various Shrines.
5. Regular worship and demonstration of the teachings.
6. Class work.

In the college of Occult Science, Art and Philosophy, according to degrees attained.

7. Home study and special reading.
8. Periodical examinations and tests.
9. Final proof to superiors that the bestowal of each degree is fully warranted before it is granted.

To the Reader:—

This book which you now hold in your hand has told you many things and has opened many new avenues of thought to you, but it has failed utterly if it has not aroused within you one spark of enthusiasm for the Order and the Philosophy which it explains.

The field of opportunity is not only virgin but unlimited. To the member who studies, and they all must, the heights of attainment beckon with an attraction which to perceive and feel is an in-born sense in every person. Blue Flame Science being the complete philosophy that it is, it leaves nothing to be desired in its versatility and in consequence teaches its followers EVERYTHING that is necessary to their progression.

A fundamental and all-important phase of this Philosophy is the teaching of application, complete every-day application is required of all members, for a philosophy is not a philosophy but a theory only, when its tenets cannot be put into daily practice from the standpoint of individual desire rather than organized force. As the result of its completeness and the actual desire to apply it, Blue Flame Science carries the power to build a race of people far superior in every way to the present one.

There is no attainment, however high, be it physical, mental or spiritual, that cannot be made by the conscientious student for another beautiful truth pertaining to Blue Flame Science is the fact that no matter how incapable a student may be, it has ways and means of preparing that student to overcome any obstacles to pro-

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gress of any kind or nature whatsoever. The apt pupil will acquire degrees faster than the one who is less developed to study, to be sure, but both will finally reach the same degree of earthly perfection.

The great mass of members will be those who will study the philosophy, read the literature of occult things and apply the wisdom gained thereby to their own lives, to make themselves and their loved ones happy in the fullness of righteous (right use) living. But there are other opportunities which must be enumerated. These are of a special nature and the duties and works attached thereto are specific functions of the Order. These are the offices of the Priests, Teachers, Advisors and Healers. The first mentioned group is limited to brothers only, but the other three are open to both brothers and sisters. All applicants to any office in these groups must have attained 59 degrees, or Mastership, and must pledge their life to their work. The activities of these groups will not only carry their members into all Branches of the parent Order but into the world of non-members as well, that they may teach and help humanity and render aid and service according to their offices wherever help is needed.

All Departments of the Parent Order and its Branches will need executive officers and workers; and never was a more tempting field of endeavor offered to you who would like to devote a part of your lives to the work of lifting the consciousness of humanity to a true perception of God and His works. Read over the outline of the government of the Order and you will see Opportunity calling to you with every word you read.

There is one specific department which must be organized as soon as possible so that the future growth of the Order may be guided in its building plans by expert minds. In this respect the Order issues a call to all members who understand the arts and sciences of building construction to make application for seats in the Council of the Department of Construction. This Council will consist of members officiating in the following capacities under and with the Director General of the Department of Construction, namely,—landscape artists, architects, engineers, construction supervisors, purchasing agents, interior designers and decorators and material testers. The Director General of Finance will also sit as a member of this council and together with staff officials will handle

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the financial details pertaining to construction. The Department of Construction will have complete charge of building operations of the Supreme Headquarters and all Branches and must, through the Supreme Seer, follow the directions and plans and generally work in co-ordination with the wishes of The White Brotherhood. It is also not only desirable but necessary that some of the members of this Council be sufficiently developed psychically to be in constant touch with representatives of the White Brotherhood, who will hold seats in this Council and will actively participate in all functions of the Council through specified channels. This particular system of operation will place in the hands of every member of this Council the arts and sciences of the Spheres in so far as they concern construction and it's allied activities. In this way the attainment of perfection in building is made possible as well as the detailed carrying out of universal symbolism in every respect.

You have read of Opportunity in infinite repetition of itself, for all teachings of the Order offer to members a wonderful opportunity to learn about the Universe and become one hundred per cent alive; and all activities of the Order offer a labor of love to those who are truly interested.

With regard to any questions you would like to ask—

Follow the directions immediately preceeding Part Two.

Questions of a philosophical nature concerning Part One will be answered only on receipt of an accompanying donation.

Questions pertaining to Part Two will be answered free of charge.

All questions must be accompanied by a stamped envelope bearing the sender's address for return.

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